

DOE, HUSSC, and Fuel Up to Play 60
Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Q: When is each award available? When is each award due? What does each award provide if selected as a recipient?

	<i>HealthierUS</i> School Challenge (HUSSC)	School Nutrition Association District of Excellence	Fuel Up to Play 60 Grant Awards
Applications Available	Ongoing: http://healthymeals.nal.usda.gov/hsmrs/HUSSC/	August 16, 2010 http://www.schoolnutrition.org/Content.aspx?id=10072	September 1, 2010 www.Fueluptoplay60.com
Application Deadline	None	November 30, 2010 or March 31, 2011	3 application deadlines October 1, 2010 December 1, 2010 TBD 2011
Award Details	Bronze: \$500	Recognition on SNA website	\$300 - \$3,000 in totality School with Program Advisor may have local opportunities available through FUTP60.com
	Silver: \$1000	Press release for local media	
	Gold: \$1500	Certificate of recognition	
	Gold Award of Distinction: \$2000	Ability to purchase District of Excellence pins for staff	
	Recognition plaque Award banner from USDA Media attention (possible visit from USDA official)	Letter of recognition to: Chief state education officer School district Superintendent Director of the state agency responsible for the program	

Q: When do the required nutrition education and communications/marketing activities have to be completed – the previous school year or the current school year?

A: These activities must have already taken place at the time of submission.

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Q: The HUSSC has a minimum Average Daily Participation (ADP) requirement for school lunch. The SNA District of Excellence application also requires this information – is there a minimum schools must achieve to be considered for this award?

A: No, there is no minimum ADP to receive the District of Excellence distinction.

Q: Some of the criteria for the HUSSC are recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Do schools have to meet all of these criteria in addition to the regular HUSSC criteria in order to apply?

A: No. These criteria are only recommendations for the 2010-2011 school year. They may become requirements for future applications.

Q: Do you have to be a SNA member to apply for the HUSSC or the Fuel Up to Play 60 grants?

A: No, but it is recommended to participate in all three programs.

Q: Where can I find resources to help my school satisfy the requirements for Nutrition Education, Physical Activity, and other Wellness criteria?

- **Team Nutrition:** <http://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/>
- **USDA MyPyramid:** <http://www.mypyramid.gov/>
- **Nutrition Explorations:** <http://www.nutritionexplorations.org/sfs/main.asp>
- **National Center for Safe Routes to School:** <http://www.saferoutesinfo.org/>
- **Alliance for a Healthier Generation:** <http://www.healthiergeneration.org/schools.aspx>

Q: My school is in need of a SMI/CRE review. How can I prepare?

A: Visit the USDA resource library at <http://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/resources/roadtosuccess.html> for helpful information.

Q: Which review should I schedule – SMI or CRE?

A: The SMI review is acceptable for both the HUSSC and the SNA District of Excellence applications. The SNA District of Excellence application will also accept a CRE review.

Q: I have specific questions about the requirements for the HUSSC, and the differences between the various award levels. Where can I find out more information?

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A: The applications for the Bronze/Silver and Gold/Gold with Distinction are available at <http://healthymeals.nal.usda.gov/hsmrs/HUSSC/>

The PDF files containing the applications allow you to enter your information on the computer instead of by hand. Make sure to frequently save your application in a location on your computer or on an external USB drive.

The entire HUSSC application kit, including Frequently Asked Questions and Sample Applications for the various award levels, is available at <http://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/healthierus/application.html>

Q: How do I enroll my school or school district in Team Nutrition or Fuel Up to Play 60?

A: Team Nutrition: <http://teamnnutrition.usda.gov/team.html>

If you are not sure if your school is already enrolled, search for your school by clicking on the Schools Database link in the upper right corner of the page. If you do not see your school, go back to the main Team Nutrition page and download the Enrollment Form (PDF file). Note: This form must be completed for each individual school within a district.

Fuel Up to Play 60: <http://school.fueluptoplay60.com/home.php>

Q: Can my school apply for all of these awards if we have not yet completed all the required criteria for the award?

A: No. The HUSSC and SNA District of Excellence awards require all application materials to be submitted by the application deadline. This includes documentation of menus already served and nutrition education or physical education activities already completed. The Fuel Up to Play 60 grants have different requirements, and do allow submission of planned activities or events that the award money is intended to support.

Q: How long will it take me to complete each award application?

A: Each application can be completed in sections. The HUSSC and SNA District of Excellence applications will take approximately 60-90 days to compile all required documentation and fill out the application forms. The Fuel Up to Play 60 grant awards will take approximately 20-45 days to complete.