programs’ meal patterns? If so, which ones?
21. Should FNS allow any of these foods to contribute to the Child Nutrition Programs’ meal patterns? Why or why not? Of which ones?
22. If any of these foods are allowed to contribute to the Child Nutrition Programs’ meal patterns, how should they be credited? Be as specific as possible, such as the volume or weight needed, or a specific nutrient content.
23a. Is there an ingredient, processing method, or nutrient standard (e.g., sodium content) that should qualify or disqualify any of these foods?
23b. If any of these foods are allowed to contribute to the Child Nutrition Programs’ meal patterns, would Child Nutrition Program operators incorporate them into menus to meet the Child Nutrition Programs’ meal patterns? Why or why not?
23c. If yes, how would they be served (e.g., as part of a reimbursable snack)?
23d. If any of these foods are allowed to contribute to the Child Nutrition Programs’ meal patterns, how would this impact the Child Nutrition Programs, including its participants and operators, as well as food manufacturers? What are the potential benefits and negative impacts?
24. Are there additional products not mentioned in this request for information that are currently not creditable, but you would wish to provide comments on? Please be as specific as possible.
FNS appreciates your thoughtful and responsive comments. FNS welcomes comments from all interested stakeholders and will consider all of them carefully. Your comments are essential to enabling FNS to provide first rate customer service to those we serve.
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