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Acronyms and Definitions

CE: Contracting Entity (TDA)

CFR: Code of Federal Regulations (USDA)

CNP: Child Nutrition Programs (TDA)

FNS: Food and Nutrition Service (USDA)

ICRP: Indirect cost rate plan (TEA)

MTDC: Modified total direct cost (TEA)

NSFSA: Nonprofit School Food Service Account

NSLP: National School Lunch Program (USDA/TDA)

OMB: Office of Management and Budget (USDA)

SBP: School Breakfast Program (USDA/TDA)

SFA: School Food Authority (USDA)

SMPs: School Meal Programs (USDA) – all programs collectively

SMP: Special Milk Program

SNPs: School Nutrition Programs (TDA)

TEA: Texas Education Agency

TDA: Texas Department of Agriculture

USDA: United States Department of Agriculture

Cognizant Agency: Agency that has primary responsibility for negotiating the indirect cost methodologies for non-federal entities. (ISD/Charter = TEA)

Cost Objectives: Program function or activity for which cost data and for which specification is made to accumulate and measure the cost of processes, products, jobs, or other expenses.

De Minimis: indirect cost rate of 10%

Direct Cost: expenses that can be identified specifically with a particular cost objective used to meet a specific program goal(s).

Indirect Cost: expenses incurred for the benefit of multiple programs or functions and are necessary for the general operation of the SNP program, and cannot be attributed to the SNP.

Indirect Cost Rate: Established percentage of awarded funds that is dedicated to pay costs that have been identified as indirect costs.

Modified Total Direct Cost: Total of all direct costs after excluding allowable indirect costs and distorting items.

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Restricted Indirect Cost Rate: Use if grant funds specify supplement, not supplant. This method is intended to minimize the amount of program funds used for indirect costs and ensures that the CE supplements existing funds and does not supplant or replace existing funds.

Supplant: Replace

Supplement: Add to existing, or in addition to. Ensures that the CE provides additional funds and does not supplant or replace funds

Unrestricted Indirect Cost Rate: Use if supplement, not supplant, does not apply. This method is intended to maximize the amount of program funds used for indirect costs.