

Federal Child Nutrition Programs (CNP)



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Introduce

Introduce you to regulations for Child Nutrition Programs in schools.

Provide an Overview

Provide an overview of the Federal Child Nutrition Programs used by schools

Answer

Answer questions about the Child Nutrition Programs



Legislative Authority



Congress passes legislation into laws that govern the United States. These laws usually authorize or direct United States Dept of Agriculture (USDA) or another Federal agency (exp. USDE) to develop regulations that both implement and help enforce the laws. Both legislation and regulations are legally binding.

- ❖ Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010
- ❖ Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act 1946
- ❖ Child Nutrition Act of 1966





Regulative Authority



The [Code of Federal Regulations \(CFR\) annual edition](#) is the codification of the general and permanent rules published in the Federal Register by the departments and agencies of the Federal Government produced by the Office of the Federal Register and the Government Publishing Office. Below are a few of the regulations that pertain to CNP published by USDA.

- [7 CFR Part 210: National School Lunch Program](#)
 - [7 CFR Part 220: School Breakfast Program](#)
- [7 CFR Part 245: Free and Reduced-Price Eligibility](#)
- [7 CFR Part 250 USDA Donated Foods in Schools](#)
 - [7 CFR Part 226: Child and Adult Care Program](#)
 - [7 CFR Part 225: Summer Food Service Program](#)





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National School Lunch Program (NSLP)

7 CFR Part 210

- **Special Milk Program** 7 CFR Part 215
- **School Breakfast Program** 7 CFR Part 220
- **Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program**
- **Afterschool Snack Service**
- **Seamless Summer Option**



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NSLP Codes

- Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) 10.555
 - Afterschool Snack
 - Food Distribution
 - Seamless Summer Option (SSO)
- Fund Type 12
- Fund Source 5101
- Revenue 5110
- Function of Expenditure 4210
- Program 8420

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Non-Profit Food Service



Observe limitations on:

- Food service revenues 210.14(a)
- Competitive foods 210.11(b)
- Maintain financial management system and account for all revenue and expenditures 210.14

Money must be used for the meal program

Profits from competitive food must go to food service account

Claims for Reimbursement



File claim monthly unless combined with short months

- By benefit category--free, reduced-price, paid

File claims within 60 calendar days or by State's due date

Report number of children approved for free or reduced price meals and the total enrollment on last operating day of October

Equity in School Lunch Pricing/Nonprogram Foods Revenue 7 CFR 210.14(e)



Seeks to ensure that sufficient funds are provided to the food service account from paid lunches

Paid-lunch price must be determined annually

Paid Lunch Equity Tool updated annually

Non-program Revenue Tool

FNS guidance and tools address policy, calculations and flexibilities

Unpaid Meal Charges: Policy Guidance



SP 46-2016: Local Meal Charge Policies

- Requires all SFAs operating the school meal programs to have a written meal charge policy in place by school year 2017-2018

SP 47-2016: Clarification on Collection of Delinquent Meal Payments

- Clarifies how unpaid meal charges must be handled when debt is determined to be uncollectable

SP 23-2017: Unpaid Meal Charges: Guidance and Q&A

- Addresses other key questions related to unpaid meal charges and alternate meals

Federal Regulations for Administrative Reviews

7 CFR Part 210.18 -- Administrative reviews.

(a) ***Programs covered and methodology.*** Each State agency must follow the requirements of this section to conduct administrative reviews of school food authorities (SFAs) participating in the National School Lunch Program and the School Breakfast Program (part 220 of this chapter). These procedures must also be followed, as applicable, to conduct administrative reviews of the National School Lunch Program's Afterschool Snacks and Seamless Summer Option, the Special Milk Program (part 215 of this chapter), and the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program. To conduct a program review, the State agency must gather and assess information off-site and/or on-site, observe the school food service operation, and use a risk-based approach to evaluate compliance with specific program requirements.



7 CFR Part 210.18(g) Critical Areas of Review

The performance standards listed in this paragraph are directly linked to meal access and reimbursement, and to the meal pattern and nutritional quality of the reimbursable meals offered. These critical areas must be monitored by the State agency when conducting administrative reviews of the National School Lunch Program and the School Breakfast Program. Selected aspects of these critical areas must also be monitored, as applicable, when conducting administrative reviews of the National School Lunch Program's Afterschool Snacks and the Seamless Summer Option, and of the Special Milk Program

Performance
Standard 1

Certification of
Benefits

Meal Counting
and Claiming

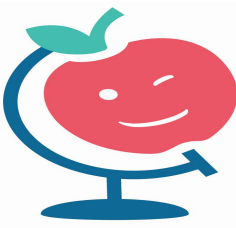
Performance
Standard 2

Food
components
and quantities

Dietary
specifications

Performance-
based cash
assistance





7 CFR Part 210.18(h) General Areas of Review

The general areas listed in this paragraph reflect requirements that must be monitored by the State agency when conducting administrative reviews of the National School Lunch Program and the School Breakfast Program. Selected aspects of these general areas must also be monitored, as applicable and as specified in the *FNS Administrative Review Manual*, when conducting administrative reviews of the National School Lunch Program's Afterschool Snacks and Seamless Summer Option, the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program, and the Special Milk Program.

Special Provision Options:

Community Eligibility Provision (CEP)
and Provisions 1, 2, 3



Community Eligibility Provision (CEP)

An alternative to household applications for high poverty local educational agencies (LEAs) and schools

Eligible LEAs/schools serve free lunches and breakfasts to all students for 4 successive school years

Meal reimbursement is based on Identified Student Percentage (*ISP*)

LEAs may elect the CEP for the entire district, individual schools, or a group of schools

To be eligible, the LEA/individual school/group of schools must have an *ISP* of at least 40%

Identified Students are those certified for free meals that are NOT subject to verification (example: directly certified through SNAP)



Provision 1: Simplified Applications

- \geq 80% enrolled students eligible for free or reduced-price meals
- Students certified Free are eligible for 2 year period
- All other households provided meal application and apply for benefits each year
- Schools record daily meal counts by eligibility category as basis for Claims for Reimbursement



Provision 2: Simplified Counting and Claiming

Schools make eligibility determinations and count meals by type (F/RP/P) in the first year (Base Year)

Use claiming percentages from base year in non-base years, take total meal counts only.

Schools use the same F/RP percentage for four school years

All students receive meals at no charge





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SBP Codes

- Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) 10.553
 - SSO
- Fund Type 12
- Fund Source 5101
- Revenue 5130
 - 5135 – Severe Need
- Function of Expenditure 4210
- Program 8420

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Breakfast/Lunch Similarities

Use the same eligibility determinations

Take point of service meal counts by eligibility type

Consolidate and claim reimbursements

Use the same nonprofit food service account



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FFVP Codes

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- Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) 10.582
- Fund Type 12
- Fund Source 5101
- Revenue 5192
- Function of Expenditure 4210
- Program 8420
- Special Code 0074

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FFVP School Selection Criteria



- Must be an elementary school
- Must operate the NSLP
- Must submit an application
- Must have at least 50% F/RP
 - Priority given to schools with the highest % of low-income students
- Total enrollment of all schools must result in a per-student allocation of \$50-\$75



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NSLP Afterschool Snack Service



Sponsored or operated by the school district

Located in a district where at least one school participates in the NSLP

All snacks are served free at area eligible schools (where 50% or more of students qualify for F/RP meals)

Free, reduced price, and paid snacks at all other schools (non-area eligible schools)

Children must be age 18, or under, at start of school year

Served on regular school days



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Seamless Summer Option (SSO)



Combines aspects of NSLP/SFSP/SBP but operates much like NSLP

- Same recordkeeping/claim/documentation as NSLP/SBP
- Receive NSLP/SBP rates
- See SP 09-2017: 2017 Edition of Questions and Answers for the National School Lunch Program's Seamless Summer Option

Serve all meals free to children

May be used over long breaks in year-round schools

Goal is to encourage schools to provide summer meals



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Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)

7 CFR Part 226

- Afterschool AT RISK Care
- Child Daycare Centers
- Family Daycare Homes
- Adult Daycare Centers



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CACFP Codes

- Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) 10.558
- Fund Type 12
- Fund Source 5199
- Revenue 5199
- Function of Expenditure 9341
- Program 8420

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What Does the CACFP do in schools?



Provides reimbursements for:

- Nutritious meals to eligible children 12 years and under* in non-residential childcare
- **Afterschool meals and snacks to children 18 and under in low-income areas**
- Meals in emergency shelters to residents 18 and under
- Meals for eligible adults in non-residential day care centers

Operates year-round



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Summer Food Service Program (SFSP)

7 CFR Part 225

- Closed Enrolled Sites
- Open Sites
- Restricted Open Sites
- Camps



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SFSP Codes

- Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) 10.559
- Fund Type 12
- Fund Source 5170
- Revenue 5170
- Function of Expenditure 9340
- Program 8420

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Overview of SFSP



Provides reimbursement for nutritious meals and snacks during the summer months and other extended school breaks in areas of economic need

Draws children to supervised activities that are safe, fun, healthy and educational

Fills the nutritional gap for children who rely on free and reduced-price school meals

Schools can be sponsoring sites when not in session

SFSP Advantages

Receive maximum rates of reimbursement

Pay for any allowable cost, whether operating or administrative

Plan and budget more reliably

Waive review of experienced school sponsors' budgets





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Food Distribution Programs

- **USDA Donated Foods in Schools**
7 CFR Part 250
- **The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP)** 7 CFR Part 251
 - **School Pantries**

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