

Reimbursement Rate Increase and Impact on Adult Meal Prices in SSO

On Friday, January 7th the USDA issued the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) rates for calendar year 2022 in the Federal Register. Per Nationwide Waiver #86, Seamless Summer Option (SSO) meals will be paid or reimbursed using the SFSP higher rates. However, no severe need or additional .07 cents will be added in SSO. All meals claimed beginning January 1 through the end of the school year will be reimbursed at the new rate.

Reimbursement Rate	Previous rate (beginning of school year until 12/31/2021)	NEW Increased rate (beginning 1/1/2022 until the end of the current school year)
SFSP (SSO) Breakfast	\$2.46	\$2.61*
SFSP (SSO) Lunch	\$4.32	\$4.56*
*Rates are rounded to the nearest penny.		

For SY 21-22, all sponsors operating SSO must at least meet the minimum non-pricing adult meal price as dictated by FNS Instruction 782-5 Rev. 1. Below is the updated minimum required adult meal price using the new, increased rates.

Program Reimbursement Rates	Previous Minimum Adult Meal Price for Breakfast	NEW Minimum Adult Meal Price for Breakfast	Previous Minimum Adult Meal Price for Lunch	NEW Minimum Adult Meal Price for Lunch
SSO*	\$2.73 (round \$2.75)	\$2.87 (2.61 + .26*)** <i>round \$2.90</i>	\$4.58 (Rounded \$4.60)	\$4.82 (4.56 + .26*)** <i>round \$4.85</i>
*Value of Donated USDA Foods for SY 21-22; **Calculations use the non-pricing formula of reimbursement rate + value of donated foods (commodities) = minimum price.				

All changes are effective immediately as the reimbursement rate increase was effective January 1. For any questions, please contact your SCN Schools Branch Point of Contact.