# WOODFORD COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION **AGENDA ITEM**

**ITEM #: DATE:** January 10, 2022

**TOPIC/TITLE:** Adult Meal Price Increase

**PRESENTER:** Courtney Quire

# **ORIGIN:**

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TOPIC PRESENTED FOR INFORMATION ONLY (No board action required.) ACTION REQUESTED AT THIS MEETING

ITEM IS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR APPROVAL

ACTION REQUESTED AT FUTURE MEETING: (DATE)

BOARD REVIEW REQUIRED BY

STATE OR FEDERAL LAW OR REGULATION BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY OTHER:

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 DATE:
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# **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

KDE Mandated Adult Meal Price Increase: Breakfast- Current \$2.50 Increase to- \$2.61 Lunch-Current \$4.00 Increase to- \$4.82 **SUMMARY OF MAJOR ELEMENTS:** 

This is a requirement based on the increased reimbursement rate plus the value of the USDA donated commodity foods.

# **IMPACT ON RESOURCES:**

# TIMETABLE FOR FURTHER REVIEW OR ACTION:

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION: Recommended Dot Recommended

Question 29 in the SCA Attachment A Questions and Answers provides examples of financial hardship/need. These examples include SFAs experiencing increase food costs due to supply chain disruptions.

• How are the funds coded in MUNIS?

Please be advised, this payment should be coded to MUNIS as part of Fund 51 and as follows– **4500 Restricted Grants-in-Aid Federal** *Revenue from monies, recorded as grants or reimbursements of expenses, which must be used for a categorical or specific purpose. Project codes are used for grants for reporting grant spending to the state agency.* If your district requires a Project Number, this can be assigned locally.

All sponsors are required to complete the Supply Chain Assistance Funds Form by **January 14, 2022** to accept or reject the SCA funds. If you elect to accept these funds, this form will also serve as your attestation that all SCA funds will be spent within the guidelines of only purchasing domestic unprocessed or minimally processed foods as stated in SP 03-2022. For questions, please contact your SCN Schools Branch Point of Contact.

Attachments: SP 03 2022 Supply Chain Assistance Funds.pdf; SCA Attachment A Questions and Answers.pdf

#### Join us for Coffee and Friends on January 20th

Our next SCN Coffee and Friends will be **Thursday, January 20th at 10:00AM EST.** To join via Microsoft Teams, click here or join by phone by dialing +1 502-694-1960 and using conference ID: 852 654 567#. If you have any questions about joining or would like to pre-submit questions for the Q&A, please contact Christina Johnson. We hope you can join us.

## Reimbursement Rate Increase and Impact on Adult Meal Prices in SSO

On Friday, January 7<sup>th</sup> 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*

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	\$2.87 (2.61	\$4.58 (Rounded	\$4.82 (4.56 +
	\$2.75)	+.26*)**	\$4.60)	.26*)**

\*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.

Attachment: 2022 SFSP Reimbursement Rates (87 FR 1107)

## SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM UPDATES

Requesting Input for a New SFSP Resource



# KDE - Weekly Update from School and Community Nutrition - January 10, 2022

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**Moore, Lauren - KDE Division Director** <lauren.moore2@education.ky.gov> To: "Moore, Lauren - KDE Division Director" <lauren.moore2@education.ky.gov> Cc: KDE Division of School and Community Nutrition <kdedscn@education.ky.gov> Mon, Jan 10, 2022 at 1:01 PM

# KDE Weekly Update from School and Community Nutrition - Monday, January 10, 2022

Please read the Weekly E-mail as it contains information about the following KDE-related items:

National School Lunch Program Updates

- SP 03-2022: USDA Supply Chain Assistance (SCA) Funding Additional Information
- Join us for Coffee and Friends on January 20th
- Reimbursement Rate Increase and Impact on Adult Meal Prices in SSO

Summer Food Service Program Updates

- Requesting Input for a New SFSP Resource
- New SFSP Reimbursement Rates for 2022

# NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM UPDATES

Information in this section pertains to sponsors that participate in the National School Lunch Program, School Breakfast Program, Afterschool Snack Program, Special Milk Program and Seamless Summer Option. For SY 2021-2022, most sponsors of the National School Lunch Program are operating the Seamless Summer Option as allowed under the USDA waivers issued in response to the Covid-19 national pandemic.

## SP 03-2022: USDA Supply Chain Assistance (SCA) Funding – Additional Information

The USDA, per policy memo SP 03-2022, is distributing SCA funds to sponsors of the National School Lunch Program to assist with addressing supply chain disruption. Disruptions are issues such as unanticipated cancellation of food and supply contracts, reduced availability of certain foods, unexpected substitution of certain products, unpredictable increases in food and supply prices, and other obstacles related to pricing and/or availability.

Questions and Answers

• How should the funds be tracked?

The funds must be deposited into the nonprofit school food service account. The SFA is not required to conduct line item tracking. However, the SFA is required to maintain documentation (purchase orders, receipts) of approved food items that were purchased with the funds.

• Is there a time limit on when the funds must be spent?

The funds are being distributed now so that the funds can be used immediately to address the financial hardships associated with supply chain disruptions. However, there is no time limit on when the funds must be spent. There is not also a requirement to notify SCN of how or when the funds are used.

• How will the funds be monitored?

The funds will be monitored through the Administrative Review process. SCN will request to see documentation for food items purchased with the funds to ensure they meet the guidelines as set forth in SP 03-2022.

• Can processing fees be paid for with SCA funds?

No. Incidental fees can be paid for such as shipping and delivery (Question 4, SCA Attachment A Questions and Answers).

• What is financial hardship/need?

The Summer Food Service Program Team is developing a series of short webinars ("Summer Shorts"). Summer Shorts are mini trainings tailored to cover specific topics to assist our sponsors for operating the SFSP during the summer. We still need to hear from many sponsors to see what topics will be most helpful. We ask that you complete the survey using the link below by 1/18/22 to let us know what topics you would like for the Summer Shorts. If you previously submitted your responses (thank you!), you do not need to do this a second time. The survey is anonymous and short.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SummerShortsTopics

#### New SFSP Reimbursement Rates for 2022

New rates to be in effect for SFSP summer 2022 have been released and are attached. Rates will also be posted to SFSP SponsorNet.

Questions? Please contact Cathy Gallagher at Cathy.Gallagher@education.ky.gov or (502) 564-5625, ext. 4933.

Attachment: 2022 SFSP Reimbursement Rates (87 FR 1107)

Have a great week! Lauren

# Lauren E. Moore

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#### 3 attachments

- SCA Attachment A Questions and Answers.pdf 332K
- SP 03 2022 Supply Chain Assistance Funds.pdf
- 2022 SFSP Reimbursement Rates (87 FR 1107).pdf 261K



FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For specific questions related to collection activities, contact Scott Linsky, telephone: (202) 720–7795; or by email: *Scott.Linsky@usda.gov*. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication should contact the USDA Target Center at (202) 720–2600 or (844) 433–2774 (toll-free nationwide).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* Request for Special Priorities Assistance.

OMB Control Number: 0560–0280. Expiration Date of Approval: April 30, 2022.

*Type of Request:* Extension of a currently approved information collection.

Abstract: APAS would efficiently place priority ratings on contracts or orders of agriculture commodities up through the wholesale levels, agriculture production equipment, allocate resources, and handle food claims within its authority as specified in the Defense Production Act (DPA) of 1950, as amended, when necessary to promote national defense. It was determined that food is a scarce and critical commodity essential to the national defense (including civil emergency preparedness and response). Unless its production, processing, storage, and wholesale distribution are regulated during times of emergencies, the national defense requirement for food and food production may not be met without creating hardship in the civilian marketplace. Applicants (Government agencies or private individuals with a role in emergency preparedness, response, and recovery functions) request authorization from USDA to place a rating on a contract for items to support national defense activities. USDA Form AD-2102 can be found by the public at *https://forms.sc.* egov.usda.gov/eForms. Applicants must supply, at time of request, their name, location, contact information, items for which the applicant is requesting assistance on, quantity, and delivery date. Applicants can submit the request by mail or fax. There are no changes to the burden hours since the last OMB approval.

For the following estimated total annual burden on respondents, the formula used to calculate the total burden hour is the estimated average time per response multiplied by the estimated total annual responses.

*Estimate of Respondent Burden:* Public reporting burden for the information collection is estimated to average 30 minutes (0.50) per response. *Respondents:* Individuals, businesses, and agencies with responsibilities for emergency preparedness and response.

Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: 50.

Estimated Number of Reponses per Respondent: 1.

*Estimated Total Annual Responses:* 50.

Estimated Average Time per

Response: 0.5 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 25 hours.

We are requesting comments on all aspects of this information collection to help us to:

(1) Evaluate whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the FSA, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the FSA's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected;

(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

All comments received in response to this notice, including names and addresses when provided, will be a matter of public record. Comments will be summarized and included in the submission for Office of Management and Budget approval.

#### Zach Ducheneaux,

Administrator, Farm Service Agency. [FR Doc. 2022–00155 Filed 1–7–22; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3410–05–P

#### DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

#### Food and Nutrition Service

#### Summer Food Service Program; 2022 Reimbursement Rates

**AGENCY:** Food and Nutrition Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice informs the public of the annual adjustments to the reimbursement rates for meals served in the Summer Food Service Program for Children. These adjustments address changes in the Consumer Price Index, as required under the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act. The 2022 reimbursement rates are presented as a combined set of rates to highlight

simplified cost accounting procedures. The 2022 rates are also presented individually, as separate operating and administrative rates of reimbursement, to show the effect of the Consumer Price Index adjustment on each rate.

**DATES:** The rates take effect January 1, 2022.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: J. Kevin Maskornick, Program Monitoring and Operational Support Division, Child Nutrition Programs, Food and Nutrition Service, United States Department of Agriculture, 1320 Braddock Place, Suite 401, Alexandria, Virginia 22314, 703–305–2537.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) is listed in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance under No. 10.559 and is subject to the provisions of Executive Order 12372, which requires intergovernmental consultation with State and local officials. (See 2 CFR, 415 and final rule-related document published at 48 FR 29114, June 24, 1983.)

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3501– 3520, no new recordkeeping or reporting requirements have been included that are subject to approval from the Office of Management and Budget.

This notice is not a rule as defined by the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601–612, and thus is exempt from the provisions of that Act. Additionally, this notice has been determined to be exempt from formal review by the Office of Management and Budget under Executive Order 12866.

#### Definitions

The terms used in this notice have the meaning ascribed to them under 7 CFR part 225 of the SFSP regulations.

#### Background

This notice informs the public of the annual adjustments to the reimbursement rates for meals served in SFSP. In accordance with sections 12(f) and 13, 42 U.S.C. 1760(f) and 1761, of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (NSLA) and SFSP regulations under 7 CFR part 225, the United States Department of Agriculture announces the adjustments in SFSP payments for meals served to participating children during calendar year 2022.

The 2022 reimbursement rates are presented as a combined set of rates to highlight simplified cost accounting procedures. Reimbursement is based solely on a "meals times rates" calculation, without comparison to actual or budgeted costs. Sponsors receive reimbursement that is determined by the number of reimbursable meals served, multiplied by the combined rates for food service operations and administration. However, the combined rate is based on separate operating and administrative rates of reimbursement, each of which is adjusted differently for inflation.

#### **Calculation of Rates**

The combined rates are constructed from individually authorized operating and administrative reimbursements. Simplified procedures provide flexibility, enabling sponsors to manage their reimbursements to pay for any allowable cost, regardless of the cost category. Sponsors remain responsible, however, for ensuring proper administration of the Program, while providing the best possible nutrition benefit to children.

The operating and administrative rates are calculated separately. However, the calculations of adjustments for both cost categories are based on the same set of changes in the *Food Away from Home* series of the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor. They represent a 5.8 percent increase in this series for the 12-month period, from November 2020 through November 2021 (from 298.253 in November 2020 to 315.481 in November 2021).

#### **Table of 2022 Reimbursement Rates**

Presentation of the 2022 maximum per meal rates for meals served to children in SFSP combines the results from the calculations of operational and administrative payments, which are further explained in this notice. The total amount of payments to State agencies for disbursement to SFSP sponsors will be based upon these adjusted combined rates and the number of meals of each type served. These adjusted rates will be in effect from January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022.

These changes are reflected below. All States except Alaska and Hawaii—Rural or Self-prep Sites— Breakfast—2 dollars and 60.50 cents (14.25 cent increase from the 2021 reimbursement rate), Lunch or Supper4 dollars and 56.25 cents (24.5 cent increase), Snack—1 dollar and 7.75 cents (5.75 cent increase); All Other Types of Sites—Breakfast—2 dollars and 55.5 cents (14 cent increase), Lunch or Supper—4 dollars and 48.75 cents (23.75 cent increase), Snack—1 dollar and 5.25 cents (5.50 cent increase).

Alaska—Rural or Self-prep Sites— Breakfast—4 dollars and 22 cents (23 cent increase), Lunch or Supper—7 dollars and 40 cents (40.75 cent increase), Snack—1 dollar and 75 cents (10 cent increase); All Other Types of Sites—Breakfast—4 dollars and 14 cents (22.5 cent increase), Lunch or Supper— 7 dollars and 28 cents (40 cent increase), Snack—1 dollar and 71 cents (9.75 cent increase).

Hawaii—Rural or Self-prep Sites— Breakfast—3 dollars and 4.5 cents (16.5 cent increase), Lunch or Supper—5 dollars and 34.50 cents (29.75 cent increase), Snack—1 dollar and 26.75 cents (7.75 cent increase); All Other Types of Sites—Breakfast—2 dollars and 98.75 cents (16.25 cent increase), Lunch or Supper—5 dollars and 26 cents (29.25 cent increase), Snack—1 dollar and 23.75 cents (7.5 cent increase).

## 2022 REIMBURSEMENT RATES

[Combined]

Per meal rates in whole or fractions of U.S. dollars	All States except	All States	Alaska	Alaska	Hawaii	Hawaii
	Alaska and Hawaii	Alaska and Hawaii	Rural or	All other	Rural or	All other
Site types	Rural or self-prep sites	All other types of sites	self-prep sites	types of sites	self-prep sites	types of sites
Breakfast	2.6050	2.5550	4.2200	4.1400	3.0450	2.9875
Lunch or Supper	4.5625	4.4875	7.4000	7.2800	5.3450	5.2600
Snack	1.0775	1.0525	1.7500	1.7100	1.2675	1.2375

#### **Operating Rates**

The portion of the SFSP rates for operating costs is based on payment amounts set in section 13(b)(1) of the NSLA, 42 U.S.C. 1761(b)(1). They are rounded down to the nearest whole cent, as required by section 11(a)(3)(B)(iii) of the NSLA, 42 U.S.C. 1759a(a)(3)(B)(iii). These changes are reflected below. All States except Alaska and Hawaii—Breakfast—2 dollars and 37 cents (13 cents increase from the 2021 reimbursement rate), Lunch or Supper— 4 dollars and 13 cents (22 cents increase), Snack—96 cents (5 cents increase).

Alaska—Breakfast—3 dollars and 84 cents (21 cents increase), Lunch or

Supper—6 dollars and 70 cents (37 cents increase), Snack—1 dollar and 56 cents (9 cents increase).

Hawaii—Breakfast—2 dollars and 77 cents (15 cents increase), Lunch or Supper—4 dollars and 84 cents (27 cents increase), Snack—1 dollar and 13 cents (7 cents increase).

#### **OPERATING COMPONENT OF 2022 REIMBURSEMENT RATES**

Operating rates in U.S. dollars, rounded down to the nearest whole cent	All States except Alaska and Hawaii	Alaska	Hawaii
Breakfast	2.37	3.84	2.77
Lunch or Supper	4.13	6.70	4.84
Snack	0.96	1.56	1.13

#### **Administrative Rates**

The administrative cost component of the reimbursement is authorized under section 13(b)(3) of the NSLA, 42 U.S.C. 1761(b)(3). Rates are higher for sponsors of sites located in rural areas and for "self-prep" sponsors that prepare their own meals at the SFSP site or at a central facility instead of purchasing them from vendors. The administrative portion of SFSP rates are adjusted, either up or down, to the nearest quarter-cent.

These changes are reflected below.

All States except Alaska and Hawaii—Rural or Self-prep Sites— Breakfast—23.50 cents (1.25 cent increase from the 2021 reimbursement rate), Lunch or Supper—43.25 cents (2.5 cent increase), Snack—11.75 cents (0.75 cent increase); All Other Types of Sites—Breakfast—18.50 cents (1 cent increase), Lunch or Supper—35.75 cents (1.75 cent increase), Snack 9.25 cents (0.5 cent increase).

Alaska—Rural or Self-prep Sites— Breakfast—38 cents (2 cent increase), Lunch or Supper—70 cents (3.75 cent increase), Snack—19 cents (1 cent increase); All Other Types of Sites— Breakfast—30 cents (1.5 cent increase), Lunch or Supper—58 cents (3 cent increase), Snack—15 cents (0.75 cent increase).

Hawaii—Rural or Self-prep Sites— Breakfast—27.5 cents (1.5 cent increase), Lunch or Supper—50.50 cents (2.75 cent increase), Snack—13.75 cents (0.75 cent increase); All Other Types of Sites—Breakfast—21.75 cents (1.25 cent increase), Lunch or Supper—42 cents (2.25 cent increase), Snack—10.75 cents (0.5 cent increase).

## ADMINISTRATIVE COMPONENT OF 2022 REIMBURSEMENT RATES

Administrative rates in U.S. dollars, ad-	All States ex-	All States ex-	Alaska	Alaska	Hawaii	Hawaii
justed, up or down, to the nearest quar- ter-cent	cept Alaska and Hawaii	cept Alaska and Hawaii	Rural or	All other	Rural or	All other
Site types	Rural or self-prep sites	All other types of sites	self-prep sites	types of sites	self-prep sites	types of sites
Breakfast Lunch or Supper Snack	0.2350 0.4325 0.1175	0.1850 0.3575 0.0925	0.3800 0.7000 0.1900	0.3000 0.5800 0.1500	0.2750 0.5050 0.1375	0.2175 0.4200 0.1075

#### Cynthia Long,

Administrator, USDA Food and Nutrition Service. [FR Doc. 2022–00120 Filed 1–7–22; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3410–30–P

#### DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

#### **Forest Service**

#### Powell Ranger District; Utah; Powell Travel Management Project; Withdrawal of Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, Agriculture (USDA).

ACTION: Notice; withdrawal.

**SUMMARY:** The Dixie National Forest is withdrawing its notice of intent (NOI) to prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) for the Powell Travel Management Project on the Powell Ranger District. The original NOI was published in the **Federal Register** on January 8, 2015. The Dixie National Forest's decision to withdraw the NOI is based on several factors, including regional and national budget allocations and prioritization of agency resources.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions concerning this notice should be directed to Powell District Ranger Christopher Wehrli at *christopher.wehrli@usda.gov* or 435– 676–9300. Individuals who use

telecommunication devices for the deaf/ hard-of-hearing (TDD) may call the Federal Relay Service (FRS) at 1–800– 877–8339, 24 hours a day, every day of the year, including holidays.

Dated: January 3, 2022.

#### Barnie Gyant,

Associate Deputy Chief, National Forest System. [FR Doc. 2022–00145 Filed 1–7–22; 8:45 am]

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#### COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

#### Notice of Public Meeting of the Georgia Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights

**AGENCY:** U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Announcement of meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act that the Georgia Advisory Committee (Committee) to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights will hold a meeting via WebEx on Thursday, February 10, 2022, at 12 p.m. Eastern time for the purpose of discussing the Committee's project on Civil Asset Forfeiture and its Impact on Communities of Color in Georgia.

**DATES:** The meeting will take place on Thursday, February 10, 2022, from 12 p.m.-1 p.m. Eastern time.

Online Regisration (Audio/Visual): https://bit.ly/3qkpBFZ.

*Telephone (Âudio Only):* Dial 800– 360–9505 USA Toll Free; Access code: 2763 816 4387.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Melissa Wojnaroski, DFO, at mwojnaroski@usccr.gov or (312) 353– 8311.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Members of the public can listen to these discussions. Committee meetings are available to the public through the above call-in number. Any interested member of the public may call this number and listen to the meeting. An open comment period will be provided to allow members of the public to make a statement as time allows. Callers can expect to incur regular charges for calls they initiate over wireless lines, according to their wireless plan. The Commission will not refund any incurred charges. Callers will incur no charge for calls they initiate over landline connections to the toll-free telephone number. Individuals who are deaf, deafblind and hard of hearing may also follow the proceedings by first calling the Federal Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339 and providing the Service with the conference call number and conference ID number.

Members of the public are also entitled to submit written comments;

# SY 2021-2022: Mid-year Adult Meal Price Increase

# Seamless Summer Option (SSO)

Adult Participation and Meal Pricing

The school meal programs funded by the National School Lunch Act and the Child Nutrition Act are expressly meant for the health and well-being of children, but school staff members are allowed and encouraged to eat school meals. Staff member participation in the school meal program is an excellent way for adults to model healthy eating habits for children.

Because the school meal programs are meant for children, federal reimbursements, children's payments, and other non-designated nonprofit food service revenues cannot subsidize adult meals. Adult meals are considered nonprogram meals. At a minimum, your adult meal prices must be equal to or greater than the sum of the federal assistance received for student meals. (USDA FNS INSTRUCTION 782-5 REV. 1)

# Why are schools operating under SSO this year?

SSO allows all students to eat at no cost. This eliminates the need to track National School Lunch Program (NSLP) eligibility categories and to collect student payments. This helps reduce contact and potential exposure to COVID-19 and facilitates the implementation of other safety protocols.

# Why is the required adult meal price higher?

Adult meal prices must be calculated based on the sum of the federal assistance of the <u>program in operation</u>. Also, traditional and Community Eligibility Program (CEP) schools operating under SSO are receiving more federal reimbursement than usual. This year, the USDA is reimbursing SSO meals at the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) *Rural or Self-prep Sites* reimbursement rate. Generally, this SFSP reimbursement rate is about 11% higher for breakfast and 15% higher for lunch than the NSLP and SSO reimbursement rates. The USDA expects the additional funding to help offset the cost of COVID-19 related safeguards like personal protective equipment and extra packaging for food.

# Why is the adult meal price changing in the middle of the year?

SSO and SFSP are summer programs. The SFSP reimbursement rates are updated on January 1. The update is usually months ahead of the SFSP's kickoff date, so it does not cause mid-year price increases. This year, SSO is operating all year and the SSO reimbursement rate is tied to the SFSP reimbursement rate. Since adult meal prices must be calculated based on the reimbursement rates of the program in operation, your adult meal prices are tied to the SFSP reimbursement rate increases as well. Your adult meal prices should be equal to or greater than the sum of the SSO federal assistance: SSO [SFSP *Rural or Self-prep Sites*] Reimbursement rate has been 10 cents for breakfast and 17 cents for lunch. When the SFSP rates increase in January, your adult meal prices should reflect the increase. If your adult meal prices do not meet the current SSO minimum rate, you need to raise them as soon as possible keeping the January update in mind. Please see the chart for the current rates.

Adult Meal Prices Must Be ≥ T	otal Federal Assistan	ce for Student Meals
Breakfast	Current SSO Rate [SFSP Rate]	Anticipated SSO Rate After January 1 <sup>st</sup>
USDA Reimbursement Rate +	2.47	2.47 + January Increase
USDA Commodities Rate =	.2600	.2600
Total Federal Assistance for Student Meals	2.73	?
Minimum Adult Meal Price Required	2.73	
Lunch	Current SSO Rate [SFSP Rate]	Anticipated SSO Rate After January 1 <sup>st</sup>
USDA Reimbursement Rate +	4.32	4.32 + January Increase
USDA Commodities Rate =	.2600	.2600
Total Federal Assistance for Student Meals	4.58	?
Minimum Adult Meal Price Required	4.58	

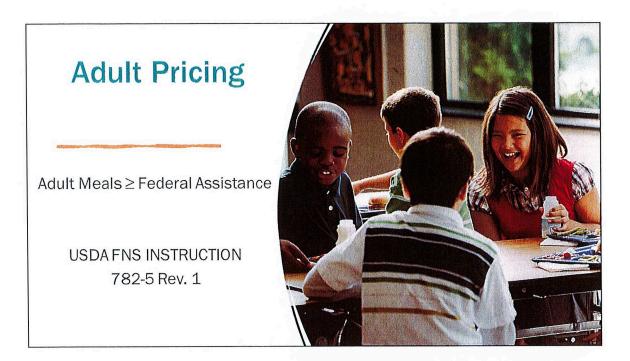
This institution is an equal opportunity provider.





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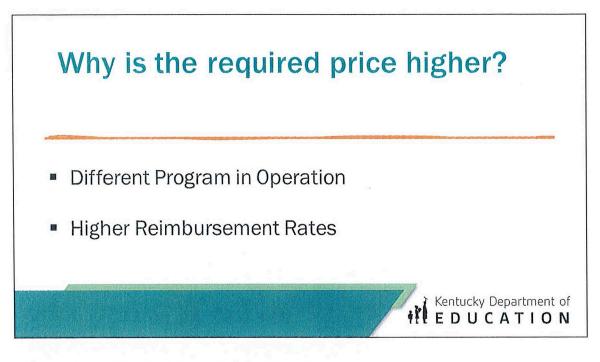


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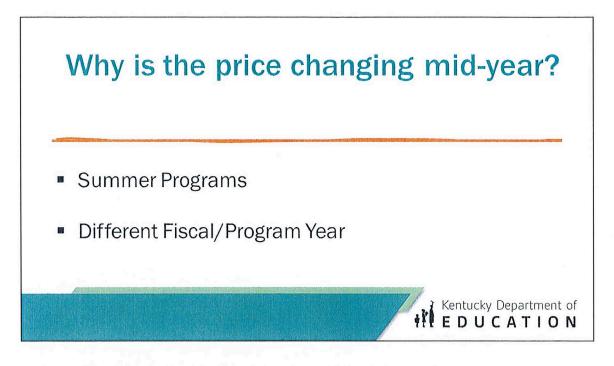
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Adult meal prices must be calculated based on the sum of the federal assistance of the <u>program in operation</u>. Also, traditional and Community Eligibility Program or CEP schools operating under SSO are receiving more federal reimbursement than usual. This year, the USDA is reimbursing SSO meals at the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) *Rural or Self-prep Sites* reimbursement rate. Generally, this SFSP reimbursement rate is about 11% higher for breakfast and 15% higher for lunch than the NSLP and SSO reimbursement rates. The USDA expects the additional funding to help offset the cost of COVID-19 related safeguards like personal protective equipment and extra packaging for food.



Why is the adult meal price changing in the middle of the year?

SSO and SFSP are summer programs. The SFSP reimbursement rates are updated on January 1<sup>st</sup>. The update is usually months ahead of the SFSP's kickoff date, so it does not cause mid-year price increases. This year, SSO is operating all year and the SSO reimbursement rate is tied to the SFSP reimbursement rate. Since adult meal prices must be calculated based on the reimbursement rates of the program in operation, your adult meal prices are tied to the SFSP reimbursement rate increases as well.

Breakfast	Current SSO Rate [SFSP Rate]	Anticipated SSO Rate After January 1 <sup>st</sup>
USDA Reimbursement Rate +	2.47	2.47 + January Increase
USDA Commodities Rate =	.2600	.2600
Total Federal Assistance for Student Meals	2.73	?
Minimum Adult Meal Price Required	2.73	
Lunch	Current SSO Rate [SFSP Rate]	Anticipated SSO Rate After January 1 <sup>st</sup>
USDA Reimbursement Rate +	4.32	4.32 + January Increase
USDA Commodities Rate =	.2600	.2600
	4 5 9	?
Total Federal Assistance for Student Meals	4.58	

# Current and Anticipated Rate Chart

Your adult meal prices should be equal to or greater than the sum of the SSO federal assistance: SSO [SFSP *Rural or Self-prep Sites*] Reimbursement Rate + USDA Commodities Rate. Over the past five years, the average adjustment to the SFSP reimbursement rate has been 10 cents for breakfast and 17 cents for lunch. When the SFSP rates increase in January, your adult meal prices should reflect the increase. If your adult meal prices do not meet the current SSO minimum rate, you need to raise them as soon as possible keeping the January update in mind.



(Please adapt this as needed.)

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