Does your district participate in an Out of School Time Meal Program?

- Summer Food Service Program
- Seamless Summer Program
- NSLP Afterschool Snack
- CACFP At-Risk Afterschool Meal Program
- None of the above

Does your district have backpack programs?

- Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)
- At-Risk Afterschool Meal Program
- None of the above
Is Hunger an Issue?

- Nearly 40% of children in Minnesota qualify for free/reduced meals
- 20% of children in Minnesota live with food insecurity
- Nearly all communities have pockets of poverty.
- For many students, school meals are their primary source of nutrition.

At-Risk Afterschool Meals Program

- A component of the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)
- Offers monetary reimbursement to sites that serve nutritious meals/snacks as part of an afterschool program
- Provides funds for meals/snacks so afterschool program resources can be used on other activities
**Program Eligibility Basics**

- Area eligible locations
- Organized primarily to provide afterschool care
- Provide organized, regularly scheduled activities in a structured and supervised environment
- Include education, recreation or enrichment activities

**Program Basics**

- Provides reimbursement for 1 snack and 1 meal per participant per day
- No charge for meals/snacks
- After the regular school day*
- On school breaks, holidays and weekends during the regular school year

*Schools with Expanded Learning Time Programs: refer to USDA memo CACFP 01-2011 Revised

**Participant Eligibility**

- At-risk afterschool snacks and/or at-risk afterschool meals are reimbursable only if served to children who are
  - Participating in an approved afterschool care program, and
  - Are age 18 or under at the start of the school year, or
  - Meet the definition of persons with disabilities in 7 CFR 226.2
- No minimum age for At-Risk participants. Eligible to children enrolled in preschool, Head Start, Even Start, etc., and participating in an eligible Afterschool Program

*Schools with Expanded Learning Time Programs: refer to USDA memo CACFP 01-2011 Revised
School Benefits

- Dependable federal funding.
- No need to collect individual eligibility information.
- Flexibility in scheduling the time and sequence of meals.
- Highest reimbursement rates. All students eat for free.
- Increased revenue to your food service program
- Streamlined application

Participant Benefits

- More interest in activities
- Better behavior
- Supports health and development
- Better focus and performance
- Kids get the fuel they need to learn, play and grow!

More Benefits

Benefits of Supper versus Snack
- Serving all 5 meal components gives students more food (Snack are 2 of 5 components)
- Results in larger reimbursement and program feasibility

Benefits of service immediately after school
- Maximum number of students served
- Youth are hungry and may be staying late at school for activities
- May be last meal for some students until next day
- Extension of work day for staff
### How many Sponsors and Sites are participating?

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### Key Program Resources

- **Key Resources**
  - Program Regulations: 7 CFR 226.17a
  - USDA At-Risk Afterschool Handbook
  - USDA CACFP Program Memos
  - MDE Food and Nutrition Website
  - USDA Website: [https://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/afterschool-programs](https://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/afterschool-programs)

### Sponsor Eligibility

- **Eligible organizations include**
  - Public agencies such as schools or city governments
  - Tax-exempt nonprofit organizations
  - For-profit centers
  - Those currently participating in another Federal program requiring nonprofit status [7 CFR 226.17a(a)(iv)]
Site Eligibility

Must be located in an eligible area:
- In the attendance area of a public school where at least 50 percent of the students are eligible for free or reduced price meals
- Eligibility based on MARSS data
- Eligibility is good for five years

Determining Eligibility of a Site Currently Participating in a Child Nutrition Program

Check the CLiCS site application
- School Nutrition Program Application
- Afterschool Snack Program Eligibility section
- Summer Food Service Program Application
- Site Participation Eligibility section
- Child and Adult Care Food Program
- At Risk After School Meals Program Eligibility section

MDE Website
Determining Eligibility of a Site Not Participating in a Child Nutrition Program

- Public School List with Percentage of Free and Reduced-Price Lunch Students from School Year 2018-19 – 4/16/19 (MARSS)
- Child Nutrition Program Eligibility Map
- Updated school data is available annually in February
Site Eligibility

- Meet State and/or local licensing, or health and safety standards
- School building
- Park and Rec or Community Center
- Library
Eligible Afterschool Programs

• Be organized primarily to provide care for children after school or on the weekends, holidays, or school vacations during the regular school year.

• Program must provide educational or enrichment activities in an organized, structured, and supervised environment.

Activities should be AGE appropriate

Examples:
- Story time
- Arts and crafts
- Homework assistance
- Life skills, drama, debate
- Remedial education
- Organized fitness activities
- Clubs: chess, dance, foreign language
- STEAM/STEM class

Contact MDE for assistance in determining if an activity is eligible.

Sports Teams

• Students who are part of school sports teams can receive meals/snacks as part of an overarching educational or enrichment program, but the program cannot be limited to a sports team.
Participant Eligibility

- Children through age 18 at beginning of school year.
- No minimum age limit.
- No age limit for students with disabilities.
- Youth may be enrolled or drop in.
- Programs are allowed to set age minimums or maximums.

Meal Times

- School days: After the bell. Meal times are flexible.
- May serve "Supper" or "Super Snack" immediately after school and snack later.
- Non-school days: Snack/meal may be served at any time of the day.
- There are no time limit requirements between meal services.

At-Risk Afterschool Meals Program

Program Requirements:

- Meals and snacks served DURING the school year.
- No minimum age limit.
- No age limit for students with disabilities.
- Youth may be enrolled or drop in.
- Programs are allowed to set age minimums or maximums.
- School days: After the bell. Meal times are flexible.
- May serve "Supper" or "Super Snack" immediately after school and snack later.
- There are no time limit requirements between meal services.

Meal Pattern Requirements:

- CAFEP Meal Pattern
- NSLP Meal Pattern
- Snacking Only

- The meal must be served or at any time after the school day ends or anytime on non-school days.
- Both a meal and a snack may be served if program length of time allows.
- Meals and/or snacks must be served on site, during the program time.
Supper “Super Snack” Menu – No Pork Served!

Reimbursement Rates effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020

Breakfast $1.84
Lunch/Supper $3.6475 ($3.41 + $0.2375*)
Snack $0.94

* Lunch and supper reimbursements include an additional 23.75 cents for cash-in-lieu of commodities.

Budget Codes: 10588.021 – Meals and Snacks; 10558.016 – Cash-in-lieu-of Commodities; 10558.SNA – At-Risk Afterschool Meals and Snacks.

CACFP At-Risk Revenue Example

• Site offers afternoon snack and supper to participants for 20 days during a month
• Site serves a total of 864 reimbursable snacks and 978 reimbursable suppers.

Snacks: 864 x $0.94 = $812.16
Suppers: 978 x $3.6475 = $3,576.255
Total Reimbursement = $4,379.15

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Daily attendance records/sign-in sheets
- Meal and/or snack count records
- Dated menus for each meal and snack
- Food Production records required for Breakfast, Lunch and Supper but not for Snack

Find forms on the MDE website under Food and Nutrition > Child and Adult Care Food Program > At-Risk Afterschool Meals > Food Service Operations
Next Steps

1. Determine site eligibility.
2. Evaluate afterschool/weekend programming and activities.
3. Decide whether providing a meal or a meal and/or snack and when.
4. Coordinate meal service either with school food service or caterer or on own.
6. Submit your application information in CLiCS and the required attachments
7. Review the recommended web-based training sessions and prepare menus and select a meal count form.

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