COMMUNITY ELIGIBILITY SUPPORTS CHILDREN'S HEALTH AND LEARNING

In OREGON, approximately 170,000 children live in food-insecure households, jeopardizing their health and well-being.¹

School meal programs combat food insecurity by providing millions of children with the nutrition they need to learn and thrive.

The Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) is an option within the school meal programs that increases students' access to nutritious food by allowing schools and school districts serving large numbers of children from families with low incomes to offer meals at no charge to all students.

How CEP Schools Are Reimbursed

Rather than relying on school meal applications to determine a school's federal reimbursements, CEP schools are reimbursed based on the share of students who are automatically eligible for free school meals without an application because they meet specific criteria, such as being in foster care or participating in certain federal means-tested programs, including SNAP. Schools can adopt CEP if at least 25 percent of students meet these criteria. The more students who are automatically eligible for free school meals, the more federal reimbursement CEP schools receive.

THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP) CUTS

recently enacted in H.R. 1 will **exacerbate food insecurity** and have ripple effects for the school meal programs, including threatening schools' ability to implement CEP.

As children lose access to SNAP, their automatic eligibility for free school meals is severed and federal reimbursement for meals served in CEP schools decreases, jeopardizing the program's financial viability.

CEP Is a Win for Students, Families, and Schools

CEP provides all students access to the balanced school breakfasts and lunches they need to be well-nourished and ready to learn, while reducing the stigma often present in school cafeterias when schools have to track students' eligibility for free, reduced-price, and paid meals.

When students have access to free meals at school, families have lower grocery bills and more money in their household budgets to help make ends meet.

CEP makes school meal operations more efficient and effective for schools and districts. CEP eliminates the administrative burden associated with school meal applications, strengthens program integrity, and supports school nutrition finances by eliminating school meal debt and increasing participation in school breakfast and lunch programs, which allows for economies of scale.

In the 2024–2025 school year, 74 percent of eligible schools nationwide adopted CEP. These 54,000 schools reached more than 27 million students around the country.



In the 2024-2025 school year:

1,190 SCHOOLS

in **OREGON** adopted CEP. An additional **37** schools were eligible to adopt CEP but did not participate.

In **OREGON**, during the 2024–2025 school year:



300,638

children ate a school lunch and 156,999 children ate a school breakfast on an average school day.²



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school districts adopted CEP for some or all schools. An additional 15 school districts had schools that were eligible to adopt CEP but did not participate.



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children attended schools that adopted CEP.

By repealing SNAP cuts and investing in CEP, policymakers can reduce barriers that keep eligible children from receiving free school meals and help families afford to put food on the table.



² Average daily participation data for school breakfast and lunch are reflective of April 2025. U.S. Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service. (2025). State-level table current activity. Accessed September 24, 2025. https://www.fns.usda.gov/pd/child-nutrition-tables



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School District	Number of CEP-Eligible Schools	Number of CEP-Participating Schools	Students Enrolled in CEP-Participating Schools
	Congressional Dis	trict #1	
ASTORIA SD	1	1	419
BANKS SD	1	1	387
BEAVERTON SD 48J	20	20	19,791
FOREST GROVE SD 15	4	4	3,681
GASTON SD 511J	1	1	254
HILLSBORO SD 1J	15	15	10,758
JEWELL SD 8	1	1	116
KNAPPA SD 4	1	1	139
NEAH-KAH-NIE SD 56	2	2	415
NESTUCCA VALLEY SD 101J	1	1	162
NEWBERG SD 29J	4	4	1,116
PORTLAND SD	11	11	7,001
RAINIER SD 13	2	2	789
SEASIDE SD 10	2	2	605
SHERWOOD SD 88J	1	1	439
ST. HELENS SD 502	2	2	294
TIGARD-TUALATIN SD 23J	7	7	6,262
VERNONIA SD 47J	3	3	532
WARRENTON-HAMMOND SD	2	0	
	Congressional Dis	trict #2	
ADRIAN SD 61	1	1	88
ANNEX SD 29	1	1	79
ARLINGTON SD	1	1	136
ASHLAND SD 5	3	3	1,577
ATHENA-WESTON SD 29RJ	3	3	530

School District	Number of CEP-Eligible Schools	Number of CEP-Participating Schools	Students Enrolled in CEP-Participating Schools
BAKER SD 5J	5	5	1,216
BROOKINGS-HARBOR SD 17C	2	2	790
CAMAS VALLEY SD 21J	1	1	226
CENTRAL CURRY SD 1	1	1	213
CENTRAL POINT SD	8	5	1,940
CONDON SD 25J	2	1	90
CROOK CO SD	6	6	2,838
CULVER SD	3	3	679
DAYVILLE SD 16J	1	1	46
DUFUR SD 29	1	1	343
EAGLE POINT SD	5	5	2,235
ECHO SD 5	1	1	316
ELGIN SD 23	1	1	166
ENTERPRISE SD 21	2	2	428
ESTACADA SD	1	0	
GLIDE SD 12	1	1	203
GRANTS PASS SD	8	8	4,103
HARNEY CO SD 3	3	2	470
HERMISTON SD 8	4	4	3,434
HUNTINGTON SD	1	1	85
IMBLER SD 11	1	1	314
JEFFERSON CO SD 509	4	4	1,370
JOHN DAY SD 3	2	2	253
KLAMATH CO SD	1	1	692
LONG CREEK SD 17	1	1	25
MEDFORD SD 549	7	7	6,098

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MITCHELL SD 55	1	0	
MONUMENT SD 8	1	1	54
NORTH LAKE SD 14	1	1	221
NYSSA SD 26	2	2	613
OAKLAND SD	2	2	438
PENDLETON SD 16	3	3	1,649
PHOENIX-TALENT SD	1	1	74
PILOT ROCK SD 2	1	1	155
PRAIRIE CITY SD 4	1	1	245
REDMOND SD 2J	5	5	3,045
RIDDLE SD 70	1	1	174
ROGUE RIVER SD 35	1	1	120
SANTIAM CANYON SD 129	2	2	567
SHERMAN CO SD	1	0	
SOUTH UMPQUA SD 19	3	3	893
SPRAY SD	1	1	60
STANFIELD SD 61	2	2	485
SUTHERLIN SD 130	4	4	1,260
UMATILLA SD 6	1	1	338
UNION SD 5	2	2	370
VALE SD 84	3	3	858
WALLOWA SD 12	2	2	167
WINSTON-DILLARD SD 116	4	4	945
	Congressional Dis	trict #3	
CENTENNIAL SD 28J	3	3	2,940
CORBETT SD 39	1	1	1,062
DAVID DOUGLAS SD 40	4	4	4,806

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ESTACADA SD	1	0	
GRESHAM-BARLOW SD 10J	8	8	4,532
NORTH CLACKAMAS SD 12	11	11	7,737
OREGON TRAIL SD 46	5	5	2,720
PARKROSE SD 3	2	2	1,675
PORTLAND SD	11	11	7,001
REYNOLDS SD 7	8	8	5,511
	Congressional Dis	trict #4	
BANDON SD 54	1	1	198
BETHEL SD 52	6	6	3,528
BROOKINGS-HARBOR SD 17C	2	2	790
CAMAS VALLEY SD 21J	1	1	226
CENTRAL CURRY SD 1	1	1	213
CENTRAL LINN SD 552	2	2	546
CENTRAL SD 13J	1	1	1,014
COOS BAY SD 9	2	2	613
COQUILLE SD	3	3	719
CORVALLIS SD 509J	6	6	3,661
CRESWELL SD 40	2	2	620
EUGENE SD 4J	12	12	6,408
FERN RIDGE SD 28J	3	3	763
GLIDE SD 12	1	1	203
HARRISBURG SD	3	3	803
JUNCTION CITY SD 69	2	2	965
LINCOLN CO SD	6	6	1,719
LOWELL SD 71	1	1	143

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MAPLETON SD 32	2	2	142
MONROE SD	1	1	256
MYRTLE POINT SD 41	2	2	566
NORTH BEND SD 13	1	1	484
NORTH DOUGLAS SD 22	1	1	100
OAKLAND SD	2	2	438
PHILOMATH SD 17J	3	3	990
PLEASANT HILL SD 1	2	2	982
REEDSPORT SD 105	1	1	619
SIUSLAW SD 97J	2	2	674
SOUTH LANE SD 45J	1	1	674
SOUTH UMPQUA SD 19	3	3	893
SPRINGFIELD SD 19	9	9	5,222
SUTHERLIN SD 130	4	4	1,260
WINSTON-DILLARD SD 116	4	4	945
YONCALLA SD 32	1	1	90
	Congressional Dis	trict #5	
CANBY SD 86	4	4	2,723
CASCADE SD 5	1	1	88
CENTRAL LINN SD 552	2	2	546
CORVALLIS SD 509J	6	6	3,661
ESTACADA SD	1	0	
EUGENE SD 4J	12	12	6,408
GERVAIS SD	3	3	882
GLADSTONE SD 115	3	3	1,006
HARRISBURG SD	3	3	803

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JEFFERSON SD 14J	2	2	417
LAKE OSWEGO SD 7J	1	1	46
LEBANON COMMUNITY SD 9	5	5	2,942
MOLALLA RIVER SD 35	3	3	1,498
MONROE SD	1	1	256
MT. ANGEL SD 91	2	2	486
NORTH CLACKAMAS SD 12	11	11	7,737
NORTH MARION SD 15	4	4	1,622
OREGON CITY SD 62	4	4	1,811
OREGON TRAIL SD 46	5	5	2,720
PORTLAND SD	11	11	7,001
REDMOND SD 2J	5	5	3,045
SALEM-KEIZER SD 24J	29	29	24,077
SANTIAM CANYON SD 129	2	2	567
SCIO SD 95	2	2	383
SILVER FALLS SD 4	2	2	755
SISTERS SD 6	2	2	769
TIGARD-TUALATIN SD 23J	7	7	6,262
WOODBURN SD 103	3	3	2,805
	Congressional Dis	trict #6	
AMITY SD 4J	3	3	751
BEAVERTON SD 48J	20	20	19,791
CANBY SD 86	4	4	2,723
CASCADE SD 5	1	1	88
CENTRAL SD 13J	1	1	1,014
DALLAS SD	4	4	2,122

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DAYTON SD 8	3	3	874
FALLS CITY SD 57	1	1	60
GASTON SD 511J	1	1	254
GERVAIS SD	3	3	882
JEFFERSON SD 14J	2	2	417
LAKE OSWEGO SD 7J	1	1	46
MCMINNVILLE SD 40	3	3	3,186
NESTUCCA VALLEY SD 101J	1	1	162
NEWBERG SD 29J	4	4	1,116
NORTH MARION SD 15	4	4	1,622
PERRYDALE SD 21	1	1	317
PHILOMATH SD 17J	3	3	990
SALEM-KEIZER SD 24J	29	29	24,077
SHERIDAN SD 48J	2	2	704
SHERWOOD SD 88J	1	1	439
ST. PAUL SD 45	1	1	145
TIGARD-TUALATIN SD 23J	7	7	6,262
WOODBURN SD 103	3	3	2,805
YAMHILL CARLTON SD	2	2	629
	Unassigned School	Districts	
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ADRIAN SD 61	1	1	191
ALSEA SD 7J	1	1	281
ARTHUR ACADEMY	2	0	
ASHLAND SD 5	3	3	789
ASTORIA SD	3	3	1,350

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BAKER SD 5J	4	3	376
BANDON SD 54	2	2	428
BANKS SD	2	2	704
BEAVERTON SD 48J	33	33	15,609
BEND-LAPINE SD	33	33	16,536
BETHEL SD 52	5	5	1,450
BLACHLY SD 90	1	1	399
BROOKINGS-HARBOR SD 17C	1	1	545
BURNT RIVER SD	1	1	46
BUTTE FALLS SD 91	2	2	318
CANBY SD 86	5	5	1,452
CASCADE SD 5	5	5	2,682
CENTENNIAL SD 28J	7	7	2,469
CENTRAL CURRY SD 1	1	1	194
CENTRAL POINT SD	4	4	1,398
CENTRAL SD 13J	4	4	2,052
CHEMAWA INDIAN SCHOOL	1	1	UNKNOWN
CITY VIEW CHARTER SCHOOL	2	0	
CLATSKANIE SD 6J	2	2	661
COLTON SD	3	3	468
COMMUNITY TRANSITIONAL SCHOOL	1	1	UNKNOWN
COOS BAY SD 9	7	7	2,315
COQUILLE SD	4	4	608
CORBETT SD 39	2	2	1,080
CORVALLIS SD 509J	6	6	2,355
COVE SD 15	1	1	302

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CRANE UNION HIGH SCHOOL	2	2	262
CRESWELL SD 40	1	1	479
CROOK CO SD	2	2	156
CROW-APPLEGATE-LORANE	2	2	296
DALLAS SD	3	3	323
DAVID DOUGLAS SD 40	12	12	3,854
DAYS CREEK SD 15	1	1	229
EAGLE CHARTER	1	1	152
EAGLE POINT SD	6	6	2,487
EAGLE RIDGE HIGH	1	0	
ELGIN SD 23	1	1	230
ELKTON SD 34	2	2	436
ESTACADA SD	3	0	
EUGENE SD 4J	22	22	8,824
FALLS CITY SD 57	1	1	118
FERN RIDGE SD 28J	2	2	621
FOREST GROVE SD 15	7	7	1,798
FOUR RIVERS COMMUNITY SCHOOL	2	2	724
GASTON SD 511J	1	1	228
GERVAIS SD	1	1	UNKNOWN
GLADSTONE SD 115	1	1	588
GLENDALE SD 77	2	2	289
GLIDE SD 12	1	1	413
GRANTS PASS SD	4	4	1,283
GREATER ALBANY SD	21	21	8,851
GRESHAM-BARLOW SD 10J	16	16	5,877

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HARPER SD 66	1	0	
HERMISTON SD 8	5	5	1,995
HILLSBORO SD 1J	22	22	6,797
HOOD RIVER SD	8	8	3,580
INAVALE COMMUNITY PARTNERS, INC.	1	0	
IONE SD R2	1	0	
IVY SCHOOL	1	1	276
JEFFERSON CO SD 509	4	4	1,248
JEFFERSON SD 14J	1	1	298
JOHN DAY SD 3	1	1	204
JOSEPH SD 6	2	2	273
JUNCTION CITY SD 69	2	2	632
KAIROS PDX	1	0	
KIDS UNLIMITED OF OREGON	2	2	UNKNOWN
KINGS VALLEY CHARTER SCHOOL	1	1	211
KLAMATH CO SD	20	20	6,157
KLAMATH FALLS SD	9	9	2,536
KNAPPA SD 4	1	1	306
LAGRANDE SD	5	5	2,017
LAKE OSWEGO SD 7J	2	2	342
LAKEVIEW SD	4	4	704
LANE ESD	1	1	UNKNOWN
LEBANON COMMUNITY SD 9	3	3	782
LINCOLN CO SD	8	7	2,452
LOWELL SD 71	2	2	374
LUCKIAMUTE VALLEY CHARTER SCHOOLS	2	0	

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MADRONE TRAIL PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL	1	1	241
MARCOLA SD 79J	2	2	264
MCKENZIE SD 68	1	1	180
MCMINNVILLE SD 40	6	6	3,233
MEDFORD SD 549	13	13	5,420
MILTON-FREEWATER SD 7	4	4	1,534
MOLALLA RIVER SD 35	4	4	1,020
MONROE SD	1	1	126
MORROW CO SD	9	8	2,165
MOSIER COMMUNITY SCHOOL	1	1	158
MT. ANGEL SD 91	1	1	163
MULTNOMAH ESD	4	4	118
MYRTLE POINT SD 41	1	1	UNKNOWN
NATIVE AMERICAN YOUTH AND FAMILY CENTER	1	1	UNKNOWN
NEAH-KAH-NIE SD 56	2	2	281
NESTUCCA VALLEY SD 101J	1	1	358
NETWORK CHARTER SCHOOL	1	1	132
NEWBERG SD 29J	6	6	2,762
NORTH BEND SD 13	3	3	1,607
NORTH CLACKAMAS SD 12	18	18	7,938
NORTH DOUGLAS SD 22	1	1	243
NORTH POWDER SD 8J	1	1	256
NORTH SANTIAM SD 29	5	5	1,979
NORTH WASCO CO. SD	7	7	2,690
NYSSA SD 26	2	2	513
OAKLAND SD	1	1	214

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OAKRIDGE SD 76	2	2	340
ONTARIO SD	7	5	1,975
OPEN SCHOOL INC.	1	1	UNKNOWN
OREGON CITY SD 62	9	9	4,847
OREGON SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF	1	1	93
OREGON TRAIL SD 46	5	5	1,573
PARKROSE SD 3	4	4	1,123
PENDLETON SD 16	3	3	1,119
PHILOMATH SD 17J	2	2	402
PHOENIX SCHOOL OF ROSEBURG	1	1	160
PHOENIX-TALENT SD	5	5	2,097
PILOT ROCK SD 2	1	1	139
PINE-EAGLE CHARTER SCHOOL	1	0	
PORT ORFORD-LANGLOIS SD	2	2	242
PORTLAND OIC	5	5	UNKNOWN
PORTLAND SD	79	78	34,016
PORTLAND VILLAGE SCHOOL	1	0	
PROSPECT SD 59	1	1	220
REDMOND SD 2J	10	10	4,712
REEDSPORT SD 105	1	1	588
REYNOLDS SD 7	13	13	3,955
RIDDLE SD 70	1	1	193
ROGUE RIVER SD 35	2	2	770
ROSEBURG SD 4	11	11	5,419
SALEM-KEIZER SD 24J	43	43	13,928
SAND RIDGE CHARTER SCHOOL	3	3	793

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SCAPPOOSE SD	4	0	
SCIO SD 95	1	1	274
SERENDIPITY CENTER	1	1	UNKNOWN
SHERIDAN SD 48J	1	1	UNKNOWN
SILETZ VALLEY SCHOOLS	1	1	UNKNOWN
SILVER FALLS SD 4	12	12	2,880
SISTERS SD 6	1	1	404
SIUSLAW SD 97J	2	2	521
SOUTH LANE SD 45J	6	6	1,589
SOUTH UMPQUA SD 19	2	2	544
SOUTH WASCO CO SD	2	2	218
SPRINGFIELD SD 19	13	13	3,920
ST. ANDREW NATIVITY SCHOOL	1	1	UNKNOWN
ST. HELENS SD 502	4	4	2,236
SUNNY WOLF CHARTER SCHOOL	1	1	116
SWEET HOME SD 55	6	6	2,154
THREE RIVERS SD	15	15	4,480
TIGARD-TUALATIN SD 23J	12	12	4,768
TILLAMOOK SD	6	6	2,061
UMATILLA SD 6	2	2	1,090
VALE SD 84	2	2	77
VERNONIA SD 47J	1	1	31
VILLAGE SCHOOL	1	1	226
WARRENTON-HAMMOND SD	1	0	
WEST LINN SD	11	11	4,638
WILLAMINA SD 30J	2	2	684

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WINSTON-DILLARD SD 116	2	2	369
WOODBURN SD 103	8	8	2,389
YAMHILL CARLTON SD	1	1	288
YONCALLA SD 32	1	1	187





