

Funding for Your Child Nutrition Programs: It Pays to Serve Meals all Year

The Afterschool Meal Program and Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) are great ways to support out-of-school time programs while also providing meals to low-income children. The tables below show the per meal federal reimbursement rates for these two programs as well as projected annual program reimbursement, based on the number of children you will serve.

Table 1: Afterschool Meal Program Reimbursement Rates

July 1, 2018–June 30, 2019

Meal type	Amount per child	Rural or self-prep sites
Afterschool Breakfast	\$1.79	n/a
Afterschool Supper or Lunch	\$3.54 (includes \$0.2350 cash in lieu of commodities reimbursement per child)	n/a
Afterschool Snack	\$0.91	n/a

Table 2: Summer Food Service Program Reimbursement Rates

January 1, 2019–December 31, 2019				
Meal type	All Other Sites	Rural or self-prep sites		
Summer Breakfast	\$2.255	\$2.2975		
Summer Lunch	\$3.9675	\$4.0325		
Summer Snack	\$0.9325	\$0.9525		

Note: Afterschool breakfast and lunch are only available on weekends and school holidays. Note: The United States Department of Agriculture offers food commodities to schools who participate in the Child Nutrition Programs. Afterschool sponsors who choose not to receive the commodities are eligible to receive an additional reimbursement in place of the government-provided commodities.

Table 3: Projected Yearly Reimbursement

Meal Type	Reimbursement, based the on number of children served (all amounts include the commodity reimbursement)		
	50 children	100 children	150 children
Afterschool Breakfast *	\$7,160*	\$14,320*	\$21,480*
Afterschool Supper or Lunch	\$31,860	\$63,720	\$95,580
Afterschool Snack	\$8,190	\$16,380	\$24,570
Maximum Afterschool Reimbursement (supper/lunch + snack)	\$47,210	\$94,420	\$141,630
Summer Breakfast	\$4,510	\$9,020	\$13,530
Summer Lunch	\$7,935	\$15,870	\$23,805
Summer Snack	\$1,865	\$3,730	\$5,595
Maximum Summer Reimbursement (breakfast & lunch/supper)	\$14,310	\$28,620	\$42,930
Maximum reimbursement for running both programs	\$61,520	\$123,040	\$184,560

Note: Afterschool Breakfast is calculated based on 40 school year weekends (80 days).

Note: The yearly Child and Adult Care Food Program (afterschool) reimbursement projections above are based on 180 school days per year and the SFSP reimbursement projections are based on 40 days of service days. Maximum reimbursements would be higher for rural and self-prep sites based on the rates in Table 1.