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Nutrition Assistance Programs

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New Reimbursement Rates Posted!

NSLP Program Page > Reimbursement Rates:

https://squaremeals.org/Programs/NationalSchoolLunchProgram/ReimbursementRates.aspx

Lunch

- Paid \$0.77 (\$0.37 base + \$0.40 temporary reimbursement)
- Reduced \$3.93 (\$3.53 base + \$0.40 temporary reimbursement)
- Free \$4.33 (\$3.93 base + \$0.40 temporary reimbursement)

After School Care Program

- Paid \$0.09
- Reduced \$0.54
- Free \$1.08

Breakfast

- Paid \$0.50 (\$0.35 base + \$0.15 reimbursement)
- Reduced \$1.96 (\$1.81 base + \$0.15 reimbursement)
- Free \$2.26 (\$2.11 base + \$0.15 reimbursement)

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Performance-based reimbursement increased from 7 to 8 cents.

Adult Meal Price Calculation

 Do NOT factor in KKFA supplemental reimbursement. Start with base reimbursement.

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 Do factor in severe need and performance-based reimbursement per ARM Section 19, *Meal Pricing*.

COVID Response Waivers

Waiver request form coming soon:

- Non-congregate feeding
- Parent pick-up
- Meal Service Times
- OVS in Senior High Schools

Opt-In Forms

- Offsite Monitoring (Available soon!)
- 30-Day Carryover Flexibility (Available now for CEs using data from a year other that SY 2021-2022)
- Paid Lunch Equity Exemption (Available now for CEs with a negative fund balance as of December 31, 2021)

https://squaremeals.org/FandNResources/CoronavirusUpda teforContractingEntities/IntakeForms.aspx

New/Updated Resources

- Spanish applications and letters posted last week.
- English NDS updates to add fax number.
- ARM updates this week!
- New FAQs will be posted Friday!

FFVP Parent Pick-up Reporting

Survey coming soon! Please respond ASAP.

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