

10) If I am not eligible under NSLP or we are not in an area-eligible site for CACFP, what can I do?

If you are not eligible under the requirements described previously, you may still qualify for snack reimbursement under the Child and Adult Care Food Program as an outside school hours care center. To find out, contact Child and Adult Nutrition Services – DOE at 773-3413.

11) Can I receive reimbursement during the summer months?

You may only receive reimbursement for afterschool snacks served during times of the year when school is in session. However, your program may be able to participate in our Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) during the summer months, and receive reimbursement for providing nutritious meals and snacks to children and youth in your program. Contact Child and Adult Nutrition Services – DOE at 773-3413 for information on participating in the Summer Food Service Program.

12) Who administers the program?

The Food and Nutrition Service, an agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, administers the NSLP on the Federal level. Child and Adult Nutrition Services office in the SD Department of Education administers the program in the State. At the local level, the program is administered by the school/school district, youth center, or childcare center.

Read more about afterschool meals

- **in the National School Lunch Program** at fns.usda.gov/cnd/Afterschool/default.htm
- **in the Child and Adult Care Food Program** at <http://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/afterschool-programs>



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**You may be eligible
to get money
for snacks and suppers
served in
afterschool programs**

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1) What are “Afterschool Snacks”?

The National School Lunch Program and the Child & Adult Care Food Program offer cash reimbursement to help schools and centers serve snacks to children after the regular school day ends. Afterschool snacks give children a nutritional boost and draw them into supervised activities that are safe, fun and filled with learning opportunities.

2) I have heard I can claim suppers, too.

CACFP agencies offering programs at “at-risk” or area eligible sites may also serve and claim suppers on school days. On a non-school day, such as a teacher in-service day, the center may serve and claim one meal and one snack at the “all-free” rate. They may serve a third meal/snack and claim it at the appropriate eligibility rate per child. The extra meals in after-school programs are not available under NSLP.

3a) Is my afterschool care program that the school operates eligible?

In order for a site to participate, your school district must run the NSLP and sponsor or operate the afterschool care program. Additionally the school district must sponsor or operate an afterschool care program that provides children with regularly scheduled educational or enrichment activities in a supervised environment.

3b) Is my afterschool care program that a non-school program operates eligible?

In order for a site to participate, your program must be “area eligible.” Additionally, your afterschool care program must provide children with regularly scheduled educational or enrichment activities in a supervised environment.

Contact Child and Adult Nutrition Services – DOE at 773-3413 for information regarding program eligibility.

4) What type of snacks must be served in my program?

In order to receive reimbursement, the snacks must contain at least two different components. The possible combinations are almost endless.



5) How much money will my school get for serving snacks?

Snacks served in afterschool care programs that are “area eligible” (see Question 6) will be reimbursed at the free rate, regardless of an individual student’s eligibility for free or reduced price lunches. Snacks served in afterschool care programs that are not area eligible will be reimbursed at the free, reduced price and paid rate

6) How is “area eligible” defined?

An afterschool care program site is “area eligible” if it is located at a school or in the attendance area of a school where at least 50 percent of the children enrolled in the school are eligible for free or reduced price meals. Borders of attendance centers may overlap. Sites in the CACFP must be area eligible in order to participate. Please contact CANS at 773-3413 with questions.

7) How do I apply for afterschool snacks?

Contact the school food service director in your school district or the center director. You may also contact Child and Adult Nutrition Services (CANS) – DOE at 773-3413. Usually the process is to amend a current application for snacks and complete a short series of questions about the afterschool program. New programs will complete the full application.



8) When do the reimbursements begin?

As soon as the State agency approves your application, reimbursement will be earned for snacks served. Reimbursement will be provided to participating programs that serve after school snacks to children and youth through the age of 18. Reimbursement is claimed on the same form as the National School Lunch Program or Child & Adult Care Food Program meals.

9) What records must be maintained?

You will need to maintain a roster or sign-in sheet for participating children. Additionally, if the site is area eligible, you must record and report the total number of snacks you serve (not just prepared or offered) each day. If the site is not area eligible, you must record and report the number of snacks served each day by eligibility category. You will also be required to maintain documentation of compliance with the meal pattern (production records).