



Afterschool Snack Program

Program Overview

The National School Lunch Program (NSLP) offers reimbursement to help schools serve snacks to children after their 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.

What programs may be eligible for snack reimbursement?

- Afterschool care programs
- Schools operating longer than the traditional school day

What are the program guidelines?

- The school district must participate in the NSLP
- The afterschool program must provide regularly scheduled educational/enrichment activities and be open to all children

What is the required meal pattern for snacks?

Snacks must contain a **complete** serving of any two of the following components:

- Milk
- Vegetable or Fruit
- Grains
- Meat/Meat Alternate

How does my school apply?

- Complete the application located on the New Mexico Student [Nutrition Portal](#) any time throughout the year
- New district sponsors must submit a 2 week cycle menu

Eligibility Options

Area-eligible:

The school or a school in the attendance area had 50% or more enrolled students approved for free or reduced price meals. Snacks are served at no charge to all children, and reimbursed at the free rate.

Non area-eligible:

The school has less than 50% of the enrolled students approved for free or reduced price meals. Snacks must be counted and claimed based upon the child's approved eligibility (free, reduced, or paid). Snacks are reimbursed at the free, reduced and paid rate.

Where can I learn more?

For more information on Afterschool Snack Program, visit:

NM PED Student Success & Wellness
Webpage

Please contact your assigned Health
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