

# The Summer Food Service Program

**The Summer Food Service Program** – nutritious meals served FREE to all children 18 and younger. What an invaluable resource to children and families in your community!

## Qualifications

- ☀ Public and private nonprofit schools that have 50% or more children eligible for free and reduced price meals or located within an eligible census tract qualify.
- ☀ Once the school or site qualifies all children receive a free meal (no free/reduced/paid categories) and the site will remain eligible for 5 years.

## Meal Requirements

- ☀ Serve up to two meals or a meal and a snack each day.
- ☀ Plan menus using the Summer Food meal pattern or simply use the meal pattern that you follow during the school year.
- ☀ Offer vs Serve still applies in the summer.
- ☀ Serve any child 18 and under in your community – children may be enrolled in your summer program, but they do not have to be. Siblings and children enrolled in other schools/districts can receive a free meal, too.

## Reimbursement

- ☀ Count the total number of meals served each day (by type) and submit your claim on-line at the end of the month. Count can be taken using a simple check-off sheet at the end. Remember all meals are free so there is no need to count by eligibility category!
- ☀ Reimbursement is figured by taking the number of meals served and multiplying it by the reimbursement rate. Sponsors that prepare their own meals or are located in rural areas receive a slightly higher rate of reimbursement.

2020 SFSP Reimbursement Rates		
	Rural or Self-Preparation Sites	Other Types of Sites
Breakfast	\$2.3750	\$2.330
Lunch or Supper	\$4.1525	\$4.0875
Snack	\$0.9775	\$0.9550

## Application & Training

- ☀ Apply on-line.
- ☀ Training on all aspects of the program will be provided by DPI. We even visit on-site with you before you begin the program to answer any questions you may have.

## Flexible

- ☀ Offer the type of meals you want, when you want. Can be for any period of time during the summer months.

## Sound Simple? We hope so!

Children need good nutritious meals in the summer, just as they do during the school year. We hope that you can help. Please visit the DPI website for more information: [www.wisummerfood.org](http://www.wisummerfood.org) AND call us TODAY. The school year goes by quickly and we want you on-board next summer!



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