

# CHILD NUTRITION MANUAL

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### Foreword

The Child Nutrition Manual was developed by the Oklahoma State Department of Education (SDE) Child Nutrition Programs (CNP) Section (hereinafter referred to as the *State Agency*) with the intent to assist school personnel in understanding the policies and procedures of CNP. All items discussed in the manual specifically deal with the requirements of the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and the School Breakfast Program (SBP) and how implementation of these requirements may be accomplished.

#### *National School Lunch Program*

The National School Lunch Act (NSLA), passed in 1946, established school lunch programs across the nation. The purpose of the program is to safeguard the health and well-being of the nation's children and to encourage the consumption of agricultural abundance. The objectives of the NSLP are to make available to all students a lunch that is nutritionally adequate and acceptable, to provide assistance to participants to ensure that minimum meal requirements are met, and to ensure that all programs are accountable. Lunch meals are only reimbursable when school is in session.

#### *School Breakfast Program*

Established by federal legislation in 1966, the SBP received permanent authorization by Public Law 94-105, enacted October 7, 1975. The purpose of this program is to make breakfast available for students who, for various reasons, come to school without an adequate breakfast. Breakfast meals are only reimbursable when school is in session.

Other programs administered by the State Agency in which schools can participate are as follows:

- Special Milk Program (SMP)
- After-School Snack Program (ASSP)
- Summer Food Service Program (SFSP)
- Nutrition Education and Training (NET) Program
- Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP)

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The following Web sites are provided for your information:

- SDE Web site address is: [www.sde.state.ok.gov](http://www.sde.state.ok.gov)
- Code of Federal Regulations Web site address is: [www.gpoaccess.gov/ecfr](http://www.gpoaccess.gov/ecfr)
- Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) Web site address is: [www.fns.usda.gov/cnd](http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd)
- Commodities Distribution Web site address is: [www.okdhs.org](http://www.okdhs.org)
- National Food Service Management Institute (NFSMI) Web site address is: [www.nfsmi.org](http://www.nfsmi.org)

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