

CHILD NUTRITION MANUAL FY2018

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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. (Reference FNS Instruction 786-7, Rev. 1)

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. (Reference FNS Instruction 786-7, Rev. 1)

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

- Special Milk Program (SMP)—Milk is only reimbursable when school is in session (Reference FNS Instruction 786-7, Rev. 1)
- After-School Snack Program (ASSP)
- Summer Food Service Program (SFSP)
- Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP)—Fresh fruits and vegetables are only reimbursable when school is in session (Reference FNS Instruction 786-7, Rev. 1)

The manual is updated annually, incorporating the latest changes, and is available to all program participants at the CNP Web site listed on the next page. If you have questions concerning any part of the manual, please contact the State Agency at 405-521-3327.

The following Web sites are provided for your information:

- SDE Web site address is www.sde.ok.gov
- Code of Federal Regulations Web site address is www.gpoaccess.gov/ecfr
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