

COMPARE WITH CONFIDENCE AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS



Both CDE and CDPHE offer afterschool meal programs for schools which participate in NSLP. As you can see below, the two programs have many similarities. The biggest difference is that CACFP offers funding for both snack and a meal afterschool. Whichever one that you choose, CDE and CDPHE will help you every step of the way.

	ACSP Afterschool Care Snack Program	CDPHE At-Risk Afterschool Program Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment
State Agency	Colorado Department of Education (CDE) Office of School Nutrition (OSN) administers this program.	Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) Prevention Services Division administers this program.
Approval Criteria	SFA must operate an afterschool care program which provides children with regularly scheduled activities in an organized, structured and supervised environment which includes educational or enrichment activities.	Institution must be; a) organized primarily to provide care for children after school or on weekends and provide children with regularly scheduled activities in an organized, structured and supervised environment; b) include educational or enrichment activities; and c) be located in an eligible attendance area of a public school where at least 50% of students are eligible for free or reduced price meals under the National School Lunch Program.
Snack/Supper	Reimbursed for snack only.	Reimbursed for up to one snack and one meal served per student per day.
Application Process	Must apply through the CDE OSN online claim system located at: http://www.cde.state.co.us/nutrition/nutrionlineclaimsandservices.	For a New Center Intake Form and Computer User Authorization Form, call or email Ynke de Koe (info below.) Once you receive your User ID and Password, visit http://co.cnpxpress.com to begin the online application.
Weekend/Holiday Operation	May only operate on days schools are in session. This may include summer school but does not include weekends, holidays, or school vacations.	May operate on non–school days such as weekends, holidays, or school vacations during the regular school year. This does not include summer school. If school operates on a year round basis, reimbursement may continue all year.
Summer Vacation Operation	SFAs participating in the Summer Food Service Program may claim reimbursement for snacks served to children in afterschool care programs during the summer.	At-risk afterschool programs may be eligible to receive reimbursement for meals and snacks through the Summer Food Service Program offered through CDE.
Morning Snack for Head Start	Morning snacks served to Head Start Programs may not be claimed for reimbursement under this program because it is not an afterschool care program. Head Start Programs can claim breakfast and lunch meals and afterschool snacks through the CDE.	Head Start facilities may participate with CACFP and claim reimbursement for meals and snacks.

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Area Eligibility for Reimbursement	Programs may qualify as area-eligible or non area-eligible: Sites located in areas where 50% or more of the enrolled children are approved for free or reduced-price meals (based on the school's reported October 1 pupil count) may serve snacks free of charge to all children and claim them at the free rate of reimbursement. These sites may be area-eligible based on the individual site's October 1 pupil count data, or they may qualify based on the October 1 pupil count of another site in the attendance area of the site in question. Non area-eligible: Sites that are located in areas where less than 50% of the enrolled children are approved for free or reduced price meals (based on the school's reported October 1 pupil count) must count and claim meals based upon the child's eligibility for free or reduced price meals (paid, free, or reduced). This is the responsibility of the SFA. Snack prices for full paid children must be approved by CDE, and the maximum reduced price charge is \$0.15. USDA annually adjusts reimbursement rates for paid, reduced price, and free snacks.	Programs may qualify as area-eligible or Outside School Hours Care Center. Area-eligible: Sites that are located in school attendance areas where 50 percent or more of the enrolled children are approved for free or reduced-price meals may serve snacks and meals free of charge to all children and claim them at the free rate of reimbursement. These sites may be area-eligible based on the individual site's October 1 pupil count data, or they may qualify based on the October 1 pupil count of another site in the attendance area of the site in question. Outside-School Hours Care Center, which provide organized non-residential child care services to children age 12 and under, or 15 and under if children of migrant workers and persons of any age if are "persons with disabilities." Income Eligibility Forms are collected to determine level of reimbursement (free, reduced, paid.) These sites must be licensed by Colorado Department of Human Services.
Length of time area- eligibility is valid	For the entire school year.	Valid for 5 years.
Eligible Children	School children through the age of 18 years.	School children through the age of 18 years. Federal law has no minimum age for at-risk program participants. Meals and snacks served children who are enrolled in preschool, Head Start, Even Start, etc. and who participants in an eligible after school program are eligible for reimbursement.
Meal Pattern Requirements	http://www.cde.state.co.us/nutrition/nutrisnack	http://www.colorado.gov/cs/Satellite?blobcol=urldata&blobheadername1=Content-Disposition&blobheadername2=Content-Type&blobheadervalue1=inline%3B+filename%3D%22At-Risk+Afterschool+Menu+and+Production+Record.pdf%22&blobheadervalue2=application%2Fpdf&blobkey=id&blobtable=MungoBlobs&blobwhere=1251871839595&ssbinary=true

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Record requirements	For non area-eligible sites: 1) free and reduced price applications for all children for whom free and reduced price snacks are claimed; 2) Meal counts (total for sites qualifying for free reimbursement for all children; meal counts by type for other sites); 3) Attendance documentation for each day; 4) Documentation of compliance with meal pattern requirements and production records; 5) Documentation that SFA has reviewed snack program two times per year; first review must be in the first four weeks of snack service each school year.	1) Daily record of meal served (ROMS) or meal counts; 2) daily attendance rosters or sign in sheets; 3) number of at-risk afterschool snacks and/or meals prepared or delivered for each meal service; 4) daily record of number of snacks and/or meals served at each snack or meal service; 5) daily records indicating the number of meals served to adults performing labor necessary to the food service; 6) menus for each at-risk afterschool snack and/or meal service; 7) menu production records; 8) documentation of nonprofit food service; 9) copies of invoices, receipts, or other records required by the State agency financial management; 10) administrative costs claimed by the institution.	
Monitoring Requirements	SFA must review program two times per year; first review must be in the first four weeks of snack service each school year.	Sites under a Sponsor of Centers must be reviewed three times per year. Sites operating for nine months or less, the first site visit of each year must occur within the first four weeks of program start-up. Visits can be streamlined if participating as a SFA or SFSP.	
Time of Service	No restrictions on amount of time that elapses between meals services or between the end of the school day and the beginning of snack service. Program must operate after the school day has ended.	Meals must be served during the operation of the afterschool care program, except on weekends and holidays, when meals may be served at any time of day, as approved by state agency. No requirement about order in which snack and supper is served. There must be at least a span of one and half hours from the end of one meal to the beginning on the next meal service.	
	*Exception, Expanded Learning Time Programs: A school operating longer than the traditional school day may be eligible for afterschool snack reimbursement, provided that it operates a school day that is at least one hour longer than the minimum number of school day hours required for the comparable grade levels by the local educational agency in which the school is located.		
USDA Commodities	May use USDA commodities in afterschool snack service.	May use USDA commodities in afterschool snack and supper service.	
State Administrative Review Requirements	The CDE OSN must examine ACSP documentation for each school selected for the Administrative Review that operates an ACSP. On-site snack observation is at the OSN's discretion.	N/A	
Contact Information	E-mail: nutrition@cde.state.co.us Phone: 303-866-6661 or 1-888-245-6092 (toll-free in Colorado)	Email: YnkedeKoe@state.co.us for Application Intake Form Phone: 303-692-6278 Mailing Address: CDPHE-CACFP, PSD-CAC-A4, 4300 Cherry Creek Drive South, Denver, CO 80246.	
More information	CDE OSN website: http://www.cde.state.co.us/nutrition USDA website: http://www.fns.usda.gov/school-meals/ afterschool-snacks	CDPHE CACFP website: http://www.colorado.gov/cs/Satellite/CDPHE-PSD/ CBON/1251618272621 USDA website: http://www.fns.usda.gov/school-meals/ afterschool-snacks	