

School Food Service Programs

1. **Purpose:** The USDA requires OSPI to provide approximately \$3,000,000 in state funds annually in order to fully use federal funds related to the Child Nutrition Programs. This is referred to as the state match. \$7,111,000 of the general fund -- state appropriation for fiscal year 2016 and \$7,111,000 of the general fund -- state appropriation for fiscal year 2017 are provided for state matching money for federal child nutrition programs.
2. **Description of services provided:** In order for Washington State to participate in the USDA Child Nutrition Programs these state funds must be distributed to participating districts annually.
3. **Criteria for receiving services and/or grants:** Schools must participate in the USDA Child Nutrition Services National School Lunch Program.
4. **Beneficiaries in 2016/17 School Year for the National School Lunch Program Funds:**

# of School Districts:	291
# of Schools:	2,008
# of Students:	1,074,011
Other:	0

FY 17 Funding: State Appropriation:	\$7,111,000
Federal Appropriation:	\$ 0
Other fund sources:	<u>\$ 0</u>
TOTAL (FY 17)	\$7,111,000
5. **Are federal or other funds contingent on state funding?** Yes. **If yes, explain.** If state funds are not available, the state will not be eligible to receive any USDA Child Nutrition Program funding, which was approximately \$300,000,000.00. Approximately 98% of these funds are distributed to sponsors participating in the Child Nutrition Programs.
6. **First year funded?** Unknown
7. **Recent State Funding:**

Fiscal Year	Amount
FY17	\$7,111,000
FY16	\$7,111,000
FY15	\$7,111,000
FY14	\$7,111,000

8. **Number of beneficiary (students) receiving benefits under the National School Lunch Program:**

Fiscal Year	# of Students
FY17	1,074,011
FY16	1,059,654
FY15	1,053,646
FY14	1,043,438

9. Of the funds appropriated, the following was spent by category for the 2016-17 school year:

Description	Amount
Elimination of reduced-price breakfast co-pay	\$956,283.40
Elimination of reduced-price lunch co-pay (K-3 grades)	\$1,162,709.60
Free and reduced-price breakfast assistance	\$4,660,599.72
Breakfast Meals for Kids Grants	\$194,631.51
Summer Food Service Program Assistance	\$136,422.45
Other State Funding Sources	.00

10. Programmatic changes since inception (if any): None

11. Evaluations of program/major findings: None

12. Major challenges faced by the program: None, except, lack of funding jeopardizes receipt of USDA Child Nutrition Program funding.

13. Future opportunities: Must continue funding or lose federal nutrition funding for the Child Nutrition Programs.

14. Statutory and/or Budget language: 4ESSB 6052, Section 506 \$7,111,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for FY15 and \$7,111,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for FY16 are provided solely for state matching money for federal child nutrition programs, and may support the meals for kids program through the following allowable uses: elimination of breakfast copays; assistance to school districts and authorized public and private nonprofit organizations for supporting summer food service programs; elimination of copays for reduced-price lunches in grades K – 3; and assistance to school districts in initiating and expanding school breakfast programs.

15. Other relevant information: None

16. List of schools/districts receiving assistance: All districts participating in the National School Lunch Program; 291 out of 305 currently participate. All Summer Food Service Sponsors also participate; for summer of 2016, there were 155 sponsors.

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