



Child Nutrition Programs (CNP) Bulletin

Child Nutrition Programs (CNP) Bulletin No. 10 - Important Fiscal Updates from the Office of Nutrition Services and Tuesday @ 2 Cancellation - September 22, 2025

Why We Can't Give Away Food for Free

The Office of Nutrition Services has received many questions from sponsors on how to use funds from the Non-profit Food Service Account (NFSA) to pay for paid student lunches. Payment for paid eligible lunches cannot come out of the NFSA and cannot be funded by Excess Fund Balances. The explanation for why paid eligible lunches, ala carte, adult meals, catering, and other food served cannot be covered by NSFA funds is found in the resource: [Allowable Funding Sources for Program Meals and Non-program Foods 2025](#). Please review this guidance resource to ensure your food service program operates with financial integrity to protect federal funds. For questions on this guidance, contact the Fiscal Monitoring Team at MDE-Fiscal@Michigan.gov.

Michigan Nutrition Data System 2.0 (MIND 2.0) is LIVE!

As of July 1, 2025, all School Nutrition Program claims are now in MIND 2.0.

Three Helpful Tips:

- Make sure you are going into MIND 2.0 and not MIND Legacy
- Watch to make sure you enter your claim in the correct month
- All sites must be saved before the claim is ready to certify

Contact MDE-ONS-Access@Michigan.gov if you are having issues accessing any of the claim systems in MIND 2.0

30d Michigan School Meals State Aid Payment

The 30d Michigan School Meals payment schedule has been changed to allow for additional processing time. Please see the revised schedule below. The September 2025 claims are due by October 24, 2025, for these claims to be in the November 20, 2025, payment.

| Claim Month | Due Date for State Aid Payment* | State Aid Payment Date | Final Claim Deadline |
|----------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| September 2025 | October 24, 2025 | November 20, 2025 | November 30, 2025 |
| October 2025 | November 24, 2025 | December 22, 2025 | December 30, 2025 |
| November 2025 | December 23, 2025 | January 20, 2026 | January 29, 2026 |
| December 2025 | January 24, 2026 | February 20, 2026 | March 1, 2026 |
| January 2026 | February 24, 2026 | March 20, 2026 | April 1, 2026 |
| February 2026 | March 24, 2026 | April 20, 2026 | April 29, 2026 |
| March 2026 | April 24, 2026 | May 20, 2026 | May 30, 2026 |
| April 2026 | May 24, 2026 | June 22, 2026 | June 29, 2026 |
| May 2026 | June 24, 2026 | July 20, 2026 | July 30, 2026 |
| June 2026 | July 24, 2026 | August 20, 2026 | August 29, 2026 |
| July 2026 | August 24, 2026 | October 20, 2026 | September 29, 2026 |

*To be received in that month, otherwise it will be paid the following month.

Financial Information Database (FID) School Meals Report Due November 3 – Avoid Common Errors!

This is a friendly reminder that the FID School Meals Report for SY 2024–2025 is due by November 3, 2025. All Local Educational Agencies, Public School Districts

and Academies, and Intermediate School Districts must ensure their submissions are accurate and complete.

Before certifying your report, be sure to:

- Review costs per meal for reasonableness
- Check for correct grant allocations across all Child Nutrition Programs
- Check Indirect Cost limits
- Avoid negative ending fund balance
- Reference [SY 2024-2025 FID School Meals Report Coding and Submission Tips](#) for a list of the most common errors and how to avoid them

Need help? The Financial Information Database School Meals Report Coding and Submission Tips document is your go-to resource for guidance can be found on our [Fiscal Reporting](#) website.

After the deadline, districts with errors will be notified during the adjustment period and must act quickly to correct and resubmit. Cost-per-meal reporting issues may result in your district's loss of a portion or all the state supplemental funding for breakfast and lunch.

Tuesday @ 2 Update

Tuesday @ 2 that is scheduled for Tuesday, September 23, 2025, has been cancelled.

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