



Child Nutrition Programs (CNP) Bulletin

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The 2021 Agriculture Appropriations Act authorized funds that allow MDE to competitively award Equipment Assistance Grants (EAG) to eligible School Food Authorities (SFAs) participating in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP). The department received over \$700,000 in federal funds for distribution to SFAs.

Who Can Apply?

Any SFA participating in the NSLP or SSO NSLP including:

- Public School Districts
- Public School Academies
- Intermediate School Districts
- Nonpublic School Districts
- Residential Child Care Institutions

Application Timeline

The grant application opened August 30, 2021, in [NexSys](#). To complete the grant application, users need to create a MILogin for Third Party account and link that account to their current MEIS account. This is a requirement and is the first step in the transition to the new system. If you haven't done this already, please do so as soon as possible using the [Creating a MILogin for Third Party Account](#). More information about NexSys can be found on the MDE NexSys [website](#). Grant applications are due by 11:59 pm on Friday September 24, 2021. It is expected that grant funding will be awarded by October 15, 2021.

Grant amounts:

Maximum: \$25,000 per building/site

Minimum: \$1,000 per piece of equipment, not in the aggregate

These values do not include the cost of installation and/or any delivery fees.

Questions can be sent to MDE-Fiscal@michigan.gov.

Contact Us

Email: MDE-SchoolNutrition@Michigan.gov

Nutrition Gateway: The Michigan Department of Education [Nutrition Gateway](#) provides Child Nutrition Program (CNP) agencies a singular system to access annual CNP applications (MEGSplus), monthly claims (MIND) and periodic administrative reviews (GEMS/MARS) through an integrated dashboard and portal.

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