



Office of Health and Nutrition Services

How Michigan School Meals Program Payments Work

There will be 2 parts of meal payments. Part 1 is from the Federal Reimbursement and part 2 from the State Funding. All meals will be fully funded up to the Free Federal Reimbursement Rate.

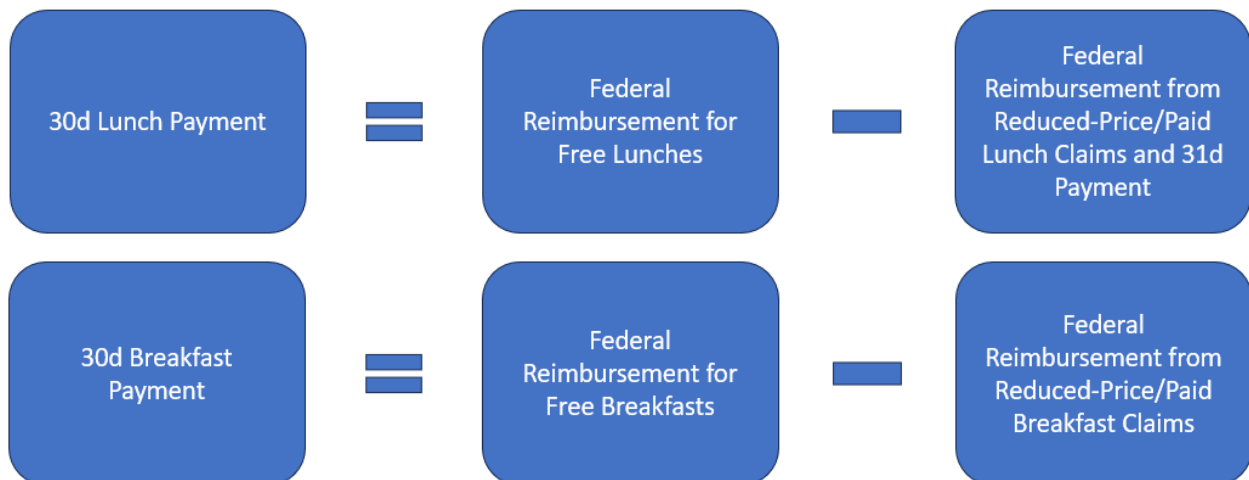
- Part 1 is the normal federal reimbursement based on the number of free, reduced-price, and paid meals claimed by the sponsor or based on claiming percentages for Community Eligibility Provision (CEP).
- Part 2 is a combination of payments from the State of Michigan that covers the difference between the free meal federal reimbursement rate and the reduced-price and paid meal federal reimbursement rates.

The State Funding is broken down into multiple payments.

31d lunch and 31f breakfast are state supplemental payments based on the state mandate that districts must operate lunch and breakfast programs. 31d lunch and 31f breakfast supplemental payments remain the same.

30d Michigan School Meals program is optional and provides additional state funding based on the following formulas. For lunch, participating sponsors will receive 30d payments based on the difference between what is received in total free federal reimbursement and total reduced-price/paid reimbursement, and the 31d payment. For breakfast, participating sponsors will receive 30d payments based on the difference between what is received in total free federal reimbursement and total reduced-price/paid reimbursement.

30d State Funding Calculation for Claims



*Reduced-priced reimbursement is not applicable to CEP.

When are claims due?

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) does have a suggested due date of the 10th of the month for submitting claims. Sponsors will still receive the federal reimbursement as usual. For the state aid portion of the payment, the previous month's claims must be submitted by the 4th of the month, or sooner if it falls on a weekend/holiday. If the claim is submitted after the 4th of the month, the state aid payments will be processed on the next month's payment. i.e., September's claim is submitted on October 10th, state aid payment for the month of September will be included in the November state aid payment. Note: Claims must be submitted within 60 days of the last day of the month claimed in the Michigan Nutrition Data (MiND) System 2.0.

When do sponsors receive payments?

Payments for 30d, like all other state aid payments, will be made via the State Aid Management System (SAMS) October 2023, through August 2024. Payments in SAMS are paid around the 20th of each month, or the following business day.

The Michigan School Meals program was effective 7/20/2023. If sponsors participated in July 2023, August 2023, and/or September 2023, payments will be included in the October payment (if claims are submitted by October 4, 2023).

For questions, please email MDE-Fiscal@Michigan.gov or call 517-241-5380.