

July 1-31, 2021



FARM TO CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS: INSIDE THE ISSUE

ODE Farm to School is now ODE Farm to Child Nutrition Programs!

In 2019, at the start of the last biennium, the ODE Farm to School Grant Program expanded to include Child and Adult Care Food Programs (CACFP) as eligible entities to receive Farm to School funding. It was decided that a Program name change and thoughtful rebranding was appropriate in order to highlight that Oregon-grown, raised, and produced foods reach several Child Nutrition Programs within ODE.

Officially introducing ODE Farm to CNP! To complement the Program name change, we have a beautiful new logo as well (see above)!

While examining the Program, it was also determined that to better reflect the intent of the Grant, moving forward the ODE Farm to CNP Procurement Grant will be retitled the ODE Farm to CNP Reimbursement Grant. In time, all Farm to CNP webpages, forms, and other documents and correspondence will be updated to reflect these changes.



Oregon Harvest for Schools

The newest videos are here! In this issue we feature Cucumbers in [English](#) and [Spanish](#) and Summer Squash in [English](#) and [Spanish](#)!

Grant Updates

The current biennium ended June 30, 2021. **The last date to enter claims in EGMS is Friday, July 23, 2021!** Please submit your remaining claims ASAP in order to meet this July deadline. If you have any questions about claims please email us at FarmtoCNP@ode.state.or.us. It is also time to complete final reports. Final reports for all grants are due **September 30, 2021**.

A new biennium (2021-2023) started July 1, 2021 and Farm to CNP award notices for this new biennium will be going out soon. Stay tuned!

FFVP Update

If a school participating in the 2020-2021 FFVP will use up the awarded FFVP funds before the end of the program year, additional funds may be requested by emailing FarmtoCNP@ode.state.or.us.



Our newest videos are here featuring Cucumbers and Summer Squash!

The month of July brings new additions to the Oregon Harvest for Schools (OH4S) video series; Cucumbers in English and Spanish and Summer Squash in English and Spanish!



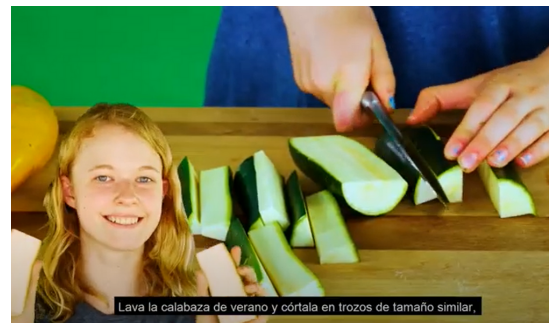
An English language version of the [Cucumbers Video](#).



A Spanish language version of the [Cucumbers Video](#).



An English language version of the [Summer Squash Video](#).



A Spanish language version of the [Summer Squash Video](#).

The Oregon Department of Education's Child Nutrition Program and OSU Extension's Food Hero campaign have teamed up to launch this series which will include a total of 50 videos when complete. The series aims to educate students on healthy, Oregon food. For a comprehensive list of the videos we have available to date visit the [Oregon Harvest for Schools website](#) and click on the Videos tab under "Other Items."

Please visit the NEW & IMPROVED Oregon Harvest for Schools Directory.

To find local vendors selling cucumbers, summer squash or any of our other fruits and vegetables, please visit the recently redesigned [Oregon Harvest for Schools Directory](#) website (formerly called the Oregon Harvest for schools Portal). It includes new search categories and many new ways to sort including producer identity, USDA meal components and availability.

Please visit the [USDA Food Buyers Guide website](#) for more information on USDA crediting for cucumbers and summer squash in Child Nutrition Program meals.

Updates on the USDA Fresh Fruit and Vegetable (FFVP) Program

Please continue to submit claims by the following dates.

- May claims must be submitted no later than Friday, July 30, 2021.
- June claims must be submitted by no later than Monday, August 30, 2021.

*Deadlines below pertain to EGMS entry, not initial claims submissions to the FFVP inbox. Please submit claims to FFVP inbox at least one business day prior to EGMS entry deadline.

You can view the full calendar of claims deadlines on the [FFVP website](#).

REMINDER: Please submit claims to FarmtoCNP@ode.state.or.us.

Do you need more FFVP money for program year 2020-2021?

If your school has spent down the FFVP funds awarded for this program year and could use more, please send us an email at FarmtoCNP@ode.state.or.us with your request for additional funds. Requests will be considered as we receive them.

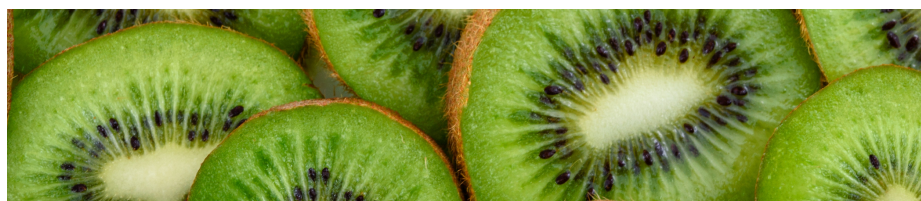
General questions about the FFVP program can also be sent to FarmtoCNP@ode.state.or.us.

FFVP Applications for SY 2021-2022 Now Open!

Applications for the USDA Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP) for SY 2021-2022 are now available on the [FFVP webpage](#). These funds will cover any FFVP costs participating schools incur between October 1, 2021 and September 30, 2022.

If you currently have a school participating in SY 2020-2021 and is still over 50% free and reduced, no action is necessary for those particular schools as they will automatically be re-enrolled.

We will be accepting applications for SY 2021-2022 until **August 31, 2021**. Applications will be reviewed and turned around fairly quickly after this date. An application does not guarantee an award, as we will prioritize schools with the highest need.



FFVP Service Spotlight: Phoenix-Talent SD

We've received several questions about the types of items that can be included in FFVP service.

This month we are highlighting the FFVP purchases made by Phoenix-Talent SD at one of its FFVP schools for the month of May.



These included:

- Apples (Pink Lady, Opal, Fuji, Sugarbee)
- Grapes (Green and Red)
- Pears (Comice)
- Oranges (Valencia)
- Okra
- Grapefruit
- Apricots
- Baby Spinach
- Cucumbers
- Nectarines

This is an excellent example of a varied FFVP service that reflects the program goal of introducing kids to fruits and vegetables they may not see on their meal tray every day, as well as presents them with new varieties of some of the more familiar fruits and vegetables.



Farm to CNP: Final Reports

We would like to thank all Oregon Farm to Child Nutrition Program Grantees for all you have done this year on the frontlines to keep Oregon communities healthy and kids nourished. The stories and images we have heard and seen of the invaluable work you and your teams have achieved during this unique time have been inspiring. We recognize it has been challenging both professionally and personally and we extend our most sincere gratitude!

Among the goals of the ODE Farm to CNP team is to administer the grant in a way that takes into consideration the opinions and ideas of those we serve. Your honest feedback and specific suggestions through year-end grant reports give us that opportunity. The information you provide is vital and we thank you in advance for your completion of the report.

Final reports are mandatory, and required of all grantees. The report should take about 30 minutes to complete. The due date is **September 30, 2021**. You can find links to the final reports below:

- Procurement Grant [Final Report Web Link](#)
- Education Grant [Final Report Web Link](#)
- Technical Assistance Grant [Final Report Web Link](#)

The Oregon State Legislature uses the information from the year-end reports to consider whether or not to fund the ODE Farm to School Grant program each biennium. Your accurate and thoughtful responses to the questions play a crucial role in that decision process, and largely determines the amount of funding, if any, that will be available to purchase Oregon foods and/or provide garden and nutrition education in the coming school years.

If you have any questions, or need to request a copy of your original application or progress report, please contact the ODE Farm to CNP team, at FarmtoCNP@ode.state.or.us.

Farm to CNP Grant Updates:

The 2019-2021 biennium ended June 30, 2021.

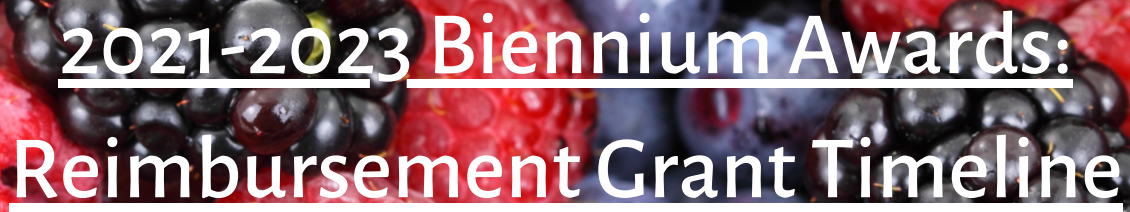
The last day to enter claims into EGMS is Friday, July 23, 2021!

This includes funds for the following Farm to School Grants:

- Non-Competitive Procurement Grants
- Competitive Procurement Grants
- Education Grants
- Technical Assistance Grants

Please email us at FarmtoCNP@ode.state.or.us if you have any questions about claims.





2021-2023 Biennium Awards: Reimbursement Grant Timeline

The 2021-2023 biennium started July 1, 2021. The Legislature has approved the Farm to CNP Grant again for this biennium. Therefore, all sponsors of NSLP, CACFP and SFSP programs (with a few exceptions) will automatically be opted in for the ODE Non-Competitive Reimbursement Grant for Oregon Grown & Processed Food, also known as the 'Reimbursement Grant.'

7/21/21 - Informal notification of awards. All programs that participate in NSLP, CACFP or SFSP (with some small exceptions) will be notified that they should expect an award amount.

TBD - Formal announcement from ODE Procurement, including new agreement. Grant goes live as soon as Sponsor returns Agreement, retroactive to July 1, 2021.

*The following information will be on our website with links and more details as they become available.

8/9/21-8/14/21 - Mandatory Training Webinar available on our website

9/22/21 - Baseline Report due for new Sponsors (before first claim)

12/31/21 - DEADLINE: If Sponsor hasn't made a claim, funds will be returned to the "pot."

12/21 - Mandatory quarterly webinar

2/22 - Mandatory quarterly webinar

5/22 - Mandatory quarterly webinar

9/30/22 - Progress Report due

10/22 - Mandatory quarterly webinar

12/22 - Mandatory quarterly webinar

2/23 - Mandatory quarterly webinar

5/23 - Mandatory quarterly webinar

6/30/23 - All funds must be spent by this date

7/24/23 - All funds must be processed in EGMS

9/30/23 - Final Report Due

NOTE: Once a Sponsor exhausts their Reimbursement Grant funds they will be eligible to apply for additional funding through the Competitive Reimbursement Grant. Applications projected to open December 2021.

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Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
2. fax: (202) 690-7442; or
3. email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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