

Topic: Breakfast after the Bell, Oregon Requirement

Breakfast After the Bell is an option for all School Food Authorities. The focus of this At A Glance document is the Oregon Student Success Act Breakfast after the Bell requirement.

Overview/What is?

Oregon Breakfast After the Bell (BAtB) is a state mandated requirement for certain schools with 70% or more of students eligible for federal free or reduced-price meals. Oregon BAtB requires that breakfast at no cost be accessible to all students after the start of the school day. Research indicates that students benefit greatly from having breakfast at school. Among the documented benefits of having breakfast at school are higher test scores, calmer classrooms, fewer trips to the school nurse, and stronger attendance and graduation rates.

Requirements:

Breakfast After the Bell is required for some schools when operating SBP.

BAtB required for school sites in:

- School districts
- Public charter schools
- Education Service Districts



If 70% or more of the students are eligible for free or reduced price meals.

BAtB not required for school sites in:

- Private schools
- Private charter schools

Exemption process: To be eligible for an exemption the school must already have at least 70% of the eligible students for free/reduced price meals regularly receiving breakfast at school. If this criteria is not met, the school must provide one of the BAtB models.

Additional Information

Equipment Grants: The Student Success Act allocated funding to support the implementation of BAtB. A noncompetitive equipment grant is available to support BAtB implementation. The grant can be used to reimburse sponsors for new equipment purchases, equipment repair, or equipment upgrades needed to implement BAtB. The equipment grant is only available to sponsors/sites operating the School Breakfast Program and is required to operate BAtB. For more information on the equipment grant, refer to the [ODE CNP Student Success Act](#) webpage.

Instructional Time:

Up to fifteen minutes of instructional time can be counted each day of the time that a student spends consuming breakfast in the classroom if instruction is being provided at the same time.

BAtB Models:

Breakfast in the Classroom	Grab and Go to the Classroom	Second Chance Breakfast
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students eat in their classroom after the school day starts. Breakfast is delivered to classrooms by students or cafeteria staff. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students pick up packaged breakfast from an identified location. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students eat during a morning break.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Takes on average 15 minutes that may be able to be counted as instructional time. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students can eat in a common classroom or common area. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Schools use the Grab and Go model or open the cafeteria.
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An effective model for older students.

BAtB Documentation: BAtB is documented in CNPweb on the site information sheet during the renewal process. The sponsor would indicate on each site info sheet if they are serving Breakfast After the Bell, if instructional time will be claimed, and the approach used to serve breakfast.

BAtB Exemption Approval: If a sponsor's site qualifies for the exemption indicated on the Breakfast After the Bell Required and Exempt Eligible Site List, then the sponsor can select the exemption on the site info sheet during renewal. The ODE CNP Child Nutrition Specialist will review each school site's exemption eligibility during the renewal process to approve or deny requested exemptions.

Helpful Resources:

- ✓ [ODE CNP Breakfast After the Bell webpage](#)
- ✓ [No Kid Hungry](#) resource center that includes:
 - Breakfast in the Classroom rollout timeline
 - Onsite Grab and Go rollout timeline
 - Onsite Grab and Go to the Classroom 101 Video
 - Pre-implementation checklist
 - Tips for implementing an effective onsite Grab and Go Breakfast program

Regulatory Reference:

- ✓ [OAR 581-051-0600](#)
- ✓ [OAR 581-051-0605](#)
- ✓ [OAR 581-022-0102](#)

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Acronym Reference and Definitions

NSLP	National School Lunch Program
SBP	School Breakfast Program
CNPweb	Department of Education Child Nutrition Database
BAtB	Breakfast After the Bell