



How the CEPI Supplement Works

Community Eligibility Provision Incentive Reimbursement Program

The Formula: $ISP \times 1.6 = \text{Federal Free Rate}$

CEPI fills the gap between the federal free rate and Oregon's 90% goal. Schools at or above 56.25% ISP already reach 90% — no supplement is needed.

Federal Free Rate	CEPI Supplement	Federal Paid Rate
<p data-bbox="191 446 461 479">Federal Free Rate</p> <div data-bbox="191 512 861 586"><p data-bbox="461 534 588 566">$ISP \times 1.6$</p></div> <p data-bbox="191 711 861 798">USDA reimburses this share of meals at the higher free rate. A school with 40% ISP gets 64% of meals reimbursed at the free rate.</p> <div data-bbox="191 905 861 1003"><p data-bbox="366 941 682 973">40% ISP → 64% Federal Free</p></div>	<p data-bbox="945 446 1215 479">CEPI Supplement</p> <div data-bbox="945 512 1615 586"><p data-bbox="1141 534 1416 566">90% – Federal Free</p></div> <p data-bbox="945 711 1615 798">Oregon's state supplement fills the gap to the 90% goal rate. The higher the ISP, the smaller the gap — and the smaller the CEPI supplement.</p> <div data-bbox="945 905 1615 1003"><p data-bbox="1047 941 1513 973">64% Federal Free → 26% CEPI Supplement</p></div>	<p data-bbox="1699 446 1969 479">Federal Paid Rate</p> <div data-bbox="1699 512 2369 586"><p data-bbox="1933 534 2135 566">Always ≥ 10%</p></div> <p data-bbox="1699 725 2344 783">The remaining 10% is always reimbursed at the federal paid rate. This floor never changes regardless of ISP.</p> <div data-bbox="1699 905 2369 1003"><p data-bbox="1895 941 2168 973">All ISPs → 10% Paid Rate</p></div>

Key eligibility rule: Schools with $ISP \geq 56.25\%$ are excluded from CEPI (federal formula already reaches 90%). Schools below 25% ISP are ineligible for CEP entirely.

Reimbursement Breakdown by ISP

Four representative scenarios — the 90% goal line marks where CEPI supplements stop



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State supplemental reimbursement fills the gap between federal free rate and the 90% claiming goal.

