

School Nutrition Program At-A-Glance

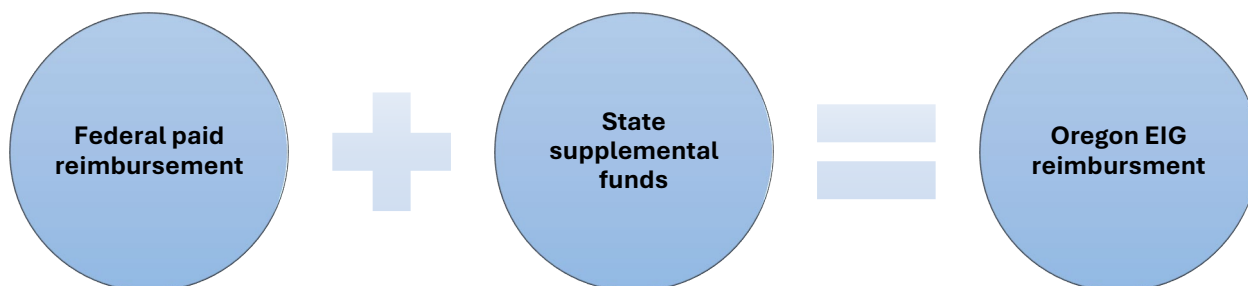
Topic: Claims for Reimbursement – Oregon EIG

Overview:

The Oregon Expanded Income Eligibility Group (EIG) Reimbursement Program is an Oregon funded school meal provision program. The program provides a supplemental reimbursement to the federal paid reimbursement amount for meals provided at no charge to students who qualify under Oregon EIG guidelines, but who do not qualify for free or reduced meals under federal income guidelines.

The National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program's (SBP) are federal programs. The reimbursements paid through claims are federal funds. For a student to qualify for free or reduced-price benefits under these programs, specific criteria must be met. When qualifying by income, the federal income charts for free and reduced-price meals must be used.

The State of Oregon has passed the Student Success Act of 2019 (SSA) which has provided additional state funds for some students that do not qualify under the federal free/reduced-priced threshold. If a student does not qualify on the federal free/reduced-price household income guidelines, the School Food Authority (SFA) should review the Oregon Expanded income guidelines. If a student qualifies under the Oregon EIG, they would first be considered denied by federal standards and their meals would be claimed as a 'paid' meal. The meal would also be claimed under EIG. This is because the federal government will reimburse the SFA at the paid rate using federal funds, and then the state of Oregon will supplement the remaining amount equal the 'free' reimbursement rate.



Entering a Claim in CNPweb:

Step 1 – Understand your counting and claiming system and how it tracks EIG students and their meals.

- What system do you use and how are you tracking EIG meals?
- Does the counting and claiming system report the EIG meals in a separate number apart from paid students/meals?
- Are the EIG students/meals already accounted for in the total paid meals?

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Step 2 – As with all claims for reimbursement, perform an edit check and verify that meal counts for the month are accurate.

Step 3 – Enter the claim for reimbursement by category in CNPweb on lines 1,2, and 3.

Meals / Milk Served	(A)	(B)
Description	Supper	Lunch
(1) Paid		1,497
(2) Free		135
(3) Reduced		68

Step 4 – Enter the total number of meals served to students that qualify for EIG meals on line 8.

(8) Oregon (EIG/CEPI/P2 EIG)	0	6
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As a reminder, these student's meals will also be claimed in the 'paid' category on line 1. They are accounted for twice, once in the paid line and once in the Oregon EIG line.

Tip – Your Oregon EIG meal counts must always be less than, or in rare cases equal to, the paid meal counts.

Helpful Resources:

- ✓ [Oregon EIG at a Glance](#)
- ✓ [Meal Counting and Claiming Systems at a Glance](#)
- ✓ [Application Processing for Oregon Expanded Income Guidelines](#)
- ✓ [SNP Manual Claim Instructions](#)

Regulatory Reference:

[Oregon Administrative Rule](#) – 581-051-0615: Expanded Income Eligibility Group Reimbursement Program

[Federal Regulation](#) – 7 CFR 210.7 – Reimbursement for School Food Authorities
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