



# Reduced-Price Breakfast

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## School Breakfast Changes 2023-24 and 2024-2025 School Years

**Starting September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023\* –**  
The 88<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislature allocated funding to cover the fee of reduced-price breakfast through the 2024-2025 school year.

\* Reduced-price breakfasts served at no cost prior to September 1, 2023, will not be reimbursed by the state.



- Schools CAN use CNP funds to offset costs for serving reduced-price breakfasts.\*
- Schools can also charge students up to \$.30 per reduced price breakfast in August.
  - Must notify parents of the change if switching to no cost meals in September.

\*or for paid breakfasts.... or for reduced-price lunch.

## Texas School Responsibilities

- Communicate the no-cost benefit to parents via the Eligibility and Determination letter sent to parents or other mechanism.
- Ensure POS and other methods of charging students of meals are updated to ensure reduced-price students are no longer charged.
- Enter monthly claims in TX-UNPS, including the number of reduced-price breakfasts served.
- Ensure the site application lists the amount of reimbursement (up to \$.30) that the school plans to receive per reduced-price breakfast.



## Universal Breakfast

- **Universal Breakfast** sites operating under a universal free breakfast mandate will receive \$.30 per reduced-price breakfast claimed, even though the site application will reflect \$0 cost for reduced-price breakfasts.
- **If the contracting entity would prefer to NOT receive the additional reimbursement, please fill out the Opt-Out Form found on [www.SquareMeals.org/ReducedBreakfasts](http://www.SquareMeals.org/ReducedBreakfasts)**





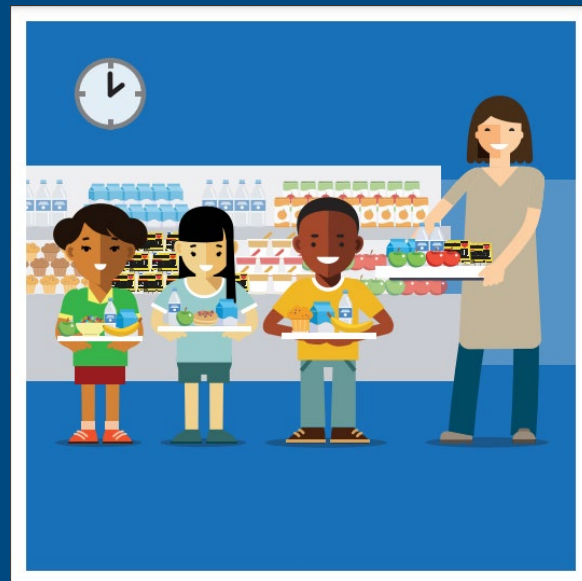
## Use of State Reimbursement

Reimbursement must accrue back to the nonprofit food service account and used for Program purposes, just as money received from a student would.

## TDA Resources

[www.SquareMeals.org/ReducedBreakfasts](http://www.SquareMeals.org/ReducedBreakfasts)

- One-Page Overview
- Parent Postcard – English and Spanish
- Social Media Post
- Web Buttons
- FAQs



## Additional Resource

- [No Kid Hungry - Texas](#)
  - Letter Templates
  - Social Media Posts
  - Marketing Toolkit

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