

**SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
CHILD AND ADULT CARE FOOD PROGRAM**

Memorandum

TO: Child and Adult Care Food Program Administrators

FROM: Mary A. Young, Director
Child and Adult Care Food Program

DATE: August 3, 2026

SUBJECT: Reimbursement Rates

As with the income eligibility guidelines, the reimbursement rates are subject to change every year. Attached are the reimbursement rates and a current reimbursement worksheet for the period of **July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027**.

Additional information on how the rates changed can be found by clicking [here](#)

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the CACFP staff at (803) 898-0959, toll free at (888) 834-8096 or cacfp@dss.sc.gov.

South Carolina Department of Social Services
CHILD AND ADULT CARE FOOD PROGRAM

REIMBURSEMENT RATES FOR
JULY 1, 2026 - JUNE 30, 2027

Meals Served in Day Care Centers (Adult or Childcare)

Per Meal Payment Rates in Cents

<u>Breakfast</u>		<u>Lunch and Supper*</u>		<u>Supplement</u>	
Free	\$2.54	Free	\$5.08	Free	\$1.30
Reduced	\$2.24	Reduced	\$4.68	Reduced	\$0.65
Paid	\$0.42	Paid	\$0.77	Paid	\$0.12

* These rates **do include** the value of commodities (**or cash-in-lieu of commodities**) which institutions receive as additional assistance for each lunch or supper served to participants under the program. The cash-in-lieu is **\$0.32** per lunch/supper.

Meals Served in Child Care Homes

Per Meal Payment Rates in Cents

	<u>Tier I</u>	<u>Tier II</u>
Breakfast	\$1.74	\$0.62
Lunch and Supper	\$3.31	\$1.99
Supplement	\$0.98	\$0.27

Administrative Reimbursement Rates for Sponsoring Organizations of Day Care Homes –
Per Home/Per Month Rates **in Dollars:**

Initial 50 day care homes	\$157
Next 150 day care homes	119
Next 800 day care homes	93
Additional day care homes	82

Meals Served In Emergency Shelters and the Afterschool Meal Program

Per Meal Payment Rates in Cents

<u>Breakfast</u>	<u>Lunch and Supper *</u>	<u>Supplement</u>
\$2.54	\$5.08	\$1.30

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CLAIMING PERCENTAGE METHOD**

REIMBURSEMENT WORKSHEET

For Institution use in computing reimbursement claim data reported on facility application in SC
CACFP - Claims.

July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027

<u>Enrollment</u>	<u>Claiming Percentages (do not round)</u>
Free _____	_____ % of Total Enrollment
Reduced _____	_____ % of Total Enrollment
Paid _____	_____ % of Total Enrollment
Total _____	

Breakfast

<u>Total</u>	<u>Free</u>	<u>Free Breakfast</u>	
<u>Breakfasts</u>	<u>Percentage</u>	<u>Rate</u>	
_____ x	_____ x	<u>\$2.54</u>	= _____

<u>Total</u>	<u>Reduced</u>	<u>Reduced Breakfast</u>	
<u>Breakfasts</u>	<u>Percentage</u>	<u>Rate</u>	
_____ x	_____ x	<u>\$2.24</u>	= _____

<u>Total</u>	<u>Paid</u>	<u>Paid Breakfast</u>	
<u>Breakfasts</u>	<u>Percentage</u>	<u>Rate</u>	
_____ x	_____ x	<u>\$0.42</u>	= _____

1) Total Breakfast Earnings = _____

Reimbursement Worksheet

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Lunch

<u>Total Lunches</u>	<u>Free Percentage</u>	<u>Free Lunch Rate</u>	
_____ x	_____ x	<u>\$5.08</u>	= _____

<u>Total Lunches</u>	<u>Reduced Percentage</u>	<u>Reduced Lunch Rate</u>	
_____ x	_____ x	<u>\$4.68</u>	= _____

<u>Total Lunches</u>	<u>Paid Percentage</u>	<u>Paid Lunch Rate</u>	
_____ x	_____ x	<u>\$0.77</u>	= _____

2) Total Lunch Earnings = _____

Supplement

<u>Total Supplements</u>	<u>Free Percentage</u>	<u>Free Supplement Rate</u>	
_____ x	_____ x	<u>\$1.30</u>	= _____

<u>Total Supplements</u>	<u>Reduced Percentage</u>	<u>Reduced Supplement Rate</u>	
_____ x	_____ x	<u>\$0.65</u>	= _____

<u>Total Supplements</u>	<u>Paid Percentage</u>	<u>Paid Supplement Rate</u>	
_____ x	_____ x	<u>\$0.12</u>	= _____

3) Total Supplement Earnings = _____

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(Sum of 1+2+3 above) Maximum Rate of Earnings = _____

Note: Reimbursement for supper is computed at the lunch rate.