

OSPI CNS Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) Information

Application Information

Federal regulations require specific information be collected in the application process. This information sheet provides details. Use the appropriate *Sponsor Checklist* as your guide for what needs to be completed.

All forms in this document are linked on the [SFSP Program Materials and Required Documents webpage](#), under the **Application Materials** dropdown.

Sponsor Name

The sponsor's name is the legal entity under which the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) operates.

Sponsor Contact Information

Current and accurate contact information is important to receive program notices and regulation changes. The SFSP contact should be someone actively involved in the administration of your program and able to respond to program questions. The Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) uses this contact information to email communications and announcements.

The claim contact listed should be the person who submits the monthly claim. Make sure to update information as changes occur in the Washington Integrated Nutrition System (WINS), the online application and claims system.

Signatures

A person who has legal authority to bind the sponsor to a contract must sign all forms requiring signatures. Documents with signatures may be scanned/emailed, mailed, or faxed.

Tax ID Number

Sponsors must enter their tax identification number. This is the number assigned by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

Unique Entity Identifier

All sponsors participating in the SFSP must register their business on the [System for Award Management \(SAM\) website](#) and be assigned a Unique Entity Identifier. These are free for all businesses required to register with the federal government.

Note: the questions for the registration pertain to your total business or organization, not just the SFSP.



Statewide Payee Registration Washington State

Sponsors must have a Statewide Payee Registration number to receive payments. If you are not currently registered with the Washington State Office of Financial Management (OFM), [complete the fillable document available on the OFM website](#). Fax the completed form directly to Department of Enterprise Services (DES) at 360-664-3363. If you have questions about this process, please contact DES at PayeeRegistration@ofm.wa.gov or 360-407-8180. Once you receive your statewide vendor number by email, please forward the notice to summermeals@k12.wa.us.

Washington Integrated Nutrition System (WINS) Sponsor Administrator

The WINS Sponsor Administrator is your organization's authorized agent that will grant access to WINS for all other staff. The Sponsor Administrator is designated on the [WINS Access Rights/User Authorization form](#), which is located on the Child Nutrition WINS webpage. Only one form per organization is needed for all child nutrition programs.

Responsible Principals/Individuals Form

Per SFSP Regulations, the State Agency must not approve a sponsor to operate the SFSP in which the institution and/or the responsible principals have been placed on the National Disqualified List (NDL) or been previously terminated from a Child Nutrition Program. The responsible principal is defined as the person who bears responsibility for the operation of the SFSP. The names, date of births, and mailing addresses of the responsible principals must be provided with the application.

Financial Viability, Administrative Capability, and Program Accountability (VCA)

Sponsors must be able to demonstrate financial viability and administrative capability prior to applying to operate SFSP. The financial documentation requested may include your organization's most recent Profit/Loss statement, income tax return, and current balance sheet. Please refer to the [VCA Reference Sheet](#) and Financial Management dropdown on the [SFSP Requirements and Materials webpage](#) for additional information.

501(c)3

Private, non-profit organizations must send a copy of their 501(c)3 status to OSPI Child Nutrition Services. This status is checked annually before application approval. Church organizations are exempt from this requirement.

Site and Site Application

A site is the physical location where children consume meals in a supervised setting. Depending upon the need in the area the sponsor wishes to operate, a sponsor may have one site or numerous sites. The [SFSP Sites and Site Eligibility Reference Sheet](#) provides a detailed description of the types of sites and how they qualify.

A site application must be completed in WINS for each meal site. Contact the [Summer Food Service Program inbox](#) to add a site.

Site Calendar

A site calendar identifies the operating days, meal types, times of service, and estimated average daily participation. A site calendar must be completed in WINS for each site. You must update your site calendar when meal service changes occur.

Budget

Sponsors must complete a budget in WINS as part of the SFSP application (NSLP Sponsors are exempt from this requirement). The [SFSP Sponsor Budget Reference Sheet](#) describes what to include in the budget. Additional budget resources are located under the *Financial Management* dropdown of the [SFSP Requirements and Materials webpage](#).

Contract Fact Sheet

Sponsors who contract with Food Service Management Companies or Vendors must complete a Fact Sheet in WINS as part of the application process. The Fact Sheet gathers information about the food service contract(s) including food service management companies, vendors, proper procurement, and contract start and signature approval dates. The Fact Sheet does not need to be resubmitted if it included the SFSP and was approved during the 2021–22 renewal application of another child nutrition program.

Health Department Notification

Sponsors are required to notify the local health department of their planned summer meal service sites. A [Health Department Notification form letter template](#) is available on the [SFSP Program Materials webpage](#). A copy of the letter you send (or plan to send) must be submitted as part of the application process.

Media Release for Closed Enrolled Sites and/or Camps

Sponsors are required to submit a [media release for any Closed Enrolled Sites and/or Camps](#) with their application. OSPI is issuing a statewide media release for open sites, so submission of the media release for open sites is not required for application.

Free Meal Policy Statement

The Free Meal Policy Statement is an attestation that meals will be provided at no cost to children. The statement must be signed by someone with signature authority at your organization. A separate [Free Meal Policy Statement](#) is required for Open Sites and Closed Enrolled Sites/Camps.

Appeal Rights and Procedure

Sponsors are provided the [Appeal Rights and Procedures](#) as an avenue to dispute a denial of an application or an adverse action from an administrative review. The Appeal Rights and Procedures document will also be provided during the administrative review exit conference when an adverse action is taken. It is available on the [SFSP Program Materials webpage](#).