

Your Questions Answered: Webinar Q&A Feeding America's Children After School

Is there an age limit? For example, is this available to middle school and high school as well? The At-Risk Afterschool Meals Program is available for grades K-12.

I have been working with our food and nutrition director since last year. I just need to know where to start? Who do I need to call?

Working with your school nutrition director is a good place to start. You district's school nutrition program can provide meals to your afterschool program, as well as the paperwork required to participate.

Would this program apply for programs where parents pay for the services provided?

Your afterschool program can participate as long as at least 50% or more of the students attending a local school are eligible to participate in the National School Lunch Program.

Our program pays for a small snack each day. How would we go about finding and utilizing one of these meal programs?

There are a couple of places where you can find information on how to participate in the At-Risk Afterschool Meals Program. You can contact your district's school nutrition director. They can assist you with the required paperwork and can likely provide the meals. You can also contact a local food bank or a hunger advocacy organization to see if they can sponsor the At-Risk Afterschool Meals Program.

Is it 50% of the district or 50% of the children in the after school program?

Participation in the At-Risk Afterschool Meal Program is determined by area eligibility. If a school in the neighborhood your program serves has at least 50% or greater participation in the National School Lunch Program, your program is eligible to participate in the At-Risk Afterschool Meal Program.