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Child Nutrition Website - <https://www.maine.gov/doe/schools/nutrition>

Child Nutrition List Serve Email - child.nutrition@maillist.informe.org

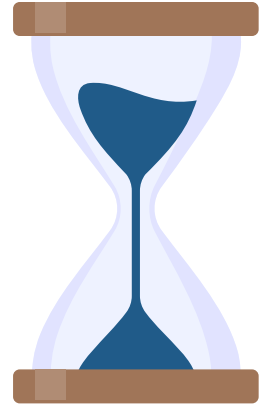
!SY2026 Annual Application!

Deadline to submit your application is *TOMORROW*

AUGUST 15, 2025



*Time
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Contact jodi.truman@maine.gov for all questions

The annual application to participate in the School Nutrition Programs, including National School Lunch Program, School Breakfast Program, After School Snack Program is now available In CNPWeb.

Program applications must be submitted and approved by State Agency prior to operating. Instructions are available under the “Help” tab once you are logged into CNPWeb.

As a reminder, on the “Checklist” tab, there are required documents that need to be uploaded by the Superintendent/Legal Agent to complete your application process. The required documents will be checked once you have opened your Sponsor and Site Information Sheets.

Net Off Invoice (NOI)

david.hartley@maine.gov

NOI allocations have been sent to the Processors. Twenty Districts do not have an assigned distributor for the Processor they have requested product from. If you are new to NOI or have not ordered NOI from this Processor you will need to log into Processorlink or K12Foodservice to assign a distributor. If you do not you will not receive your discount.

FFVP Promo Materials

NEW FFVP Promo Materials and Resources for SY 2026!

We are excited to share new Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP) resources for schools participating in this program. They can be found here on our webpage: <https://www.maine.gov/doe/schools/nutrition/programs/ffvp>.

This includes:

- FFVP calendar template and fruit and vegetable fun fact sheet templates.
- Sample fun fact sheets, menus, morning announcements, and word searches to engage students!
- Sample, customizable parent and teacher letters to share information about the program and ways they can support FFVP in your schools.

Thank you to our UNE dietetic intern, Emily Weinrich, for creating these wonderful materials. We hope they will be useful in your FFVP programs!

Annual Financial Report

- The Annual Financial Report is found in CNPWeb under the Forms tab in program 2025
- The Guide to complete the report is in the Help Tab
- Report must be submitted by September 1, 2025
- Make sure all Revenue and Expenses have been reported for SY 2025 before completing the Annual Financial Report.
- Verify that the beginning and ending balance in your AFR are the same as the Business Office
- Ending balance for the 2025 school year must be a positive balance. If the balance is negative, the sponsor is required to cover the difference with a transfer of non-federal funds to the Child Nutrition accounts for a zero balance

Open Office Hours will be provided the following dates and times:

- Wednesday, August 20th @ 8am
- Thursday, August 28th @ 12:30pm

Please email jodi.truman@maine.gov for the meeting link with the date you are requesting.

Changes to State Local Foods Fund (LFF) Coming Soon!!

Starting in September, the State Local Foods Fund will have some changes!

- Recent legislation has increased the reimbursement rate from $\frac{1}{3}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$!
 - Districts will now receive \$1 for every \$2 spent on eligible local foods!
- The maximum reimbursement amount has increased from \$5,000 to \$10,000!
 - Districts will also receive an extra \$1,000 for attending a local foods training!
- State Local Foods Fund Claims will be filed in CNP Web again with your monthly claim!
 - There will be a new claim form starting in September!

Due to these changes, there will be mandatory training video to watch before filing your September claim in October. This will be available starting in August.

These changes are effective starting for SEPTEMBER claims in October. Until then, please continue to email your Local Foods Fund claims as usual to katie.knowles@maine.gov.

If you have any questions please reach out to Katie Knowles, Farm & Sea to School Coordinator, at katie.knowles@maine.gov.

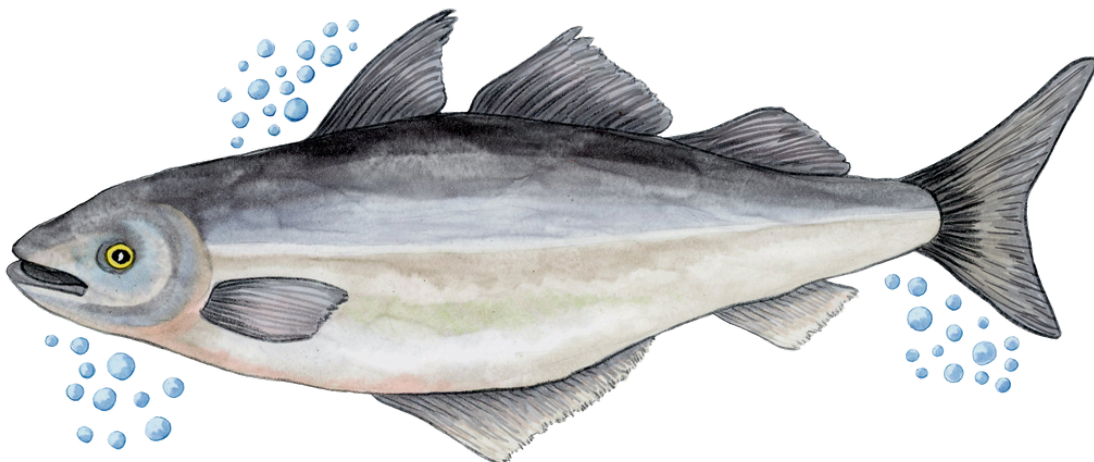
Farm and Sea to School Office Hours

Virtual farm & sea to school office hours will be offered in anticipation of changes to the state Local Foods Fund (LFF) in September. These office hours are an open space to ask questions and support farm & sea to school efforts. If you'd like to join, click the date to register below!

August Office Hours

[Wednesday, August 20, 1PM-2:30PM](#)

If this date doesn't work for you but you would like direct assistance, please reach out to katie.knowles@maine.gov to schedule a one-on-one call or meeting!



Child Nutrition Virtual Training

**AI of any kind will be removed
from the training.**

**The links to register are in the training titles.
(unless otherwise noted)**

**We are unable to hold virtual and in person
training simultaneously.**

**All of our webinars are recorded and put on our
website within a week of the training.**

**Please mark your calendars once
you have registered.**



Local Foods Updates

August 25, 2025

1:30pm

Join us for a webinar covering important local foods updates, including changes to the State Local Foods Fund, new Harvest of the Month materials, and details on upcoming farm and sea to school events for the school year. Highlights include Maine Harvest Lunch Week in September and our first-ever Maine Apple Crunch event in October!

Fresh Fruit and Vegetables Program

September 9, 2025

1:30pm

This webinar is intended for schools participating in the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP) in SY 2026. Please note, this is different than the DOD fresh program! Come learn all about the FFVP, including allowable costs, tracking your spending and best practices. We will also discuss any new changes to the program for SY 2026.