

IDAHO CHILD NUTRITION POLICIES AND PROGRAMS

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) establishes the minimum national standards that schools participating in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP), School Breakfast Program (SBP), and other federal meal programs must meet in order to obtain reimbursement. However, states can provide additional requirements and standards for school nutrition programs. Below is a snapshot of the policies for Idaho. Also included are resources on the State legislature to assist SNA members interested in making an impact as the State crafts future policies. More information on Idaho can be found with the [State agency](#) or by viewing the latest data available from [USDA](#).



supports Farm to School Programs in the State of Idaho.

Current and Recent Legislation

- Idaho has not introduced any legislation impacting child nutrition in the past few years.

School Meal Policies

- Idaho does not mandate participation in federal school meals programs.
- The State does not provide additional per meal reimbursement, but does provide assistance with FICA taxes for SFAs.

Competitive Foods/Smart Snacks Fundraisers

- Idaho allows for ten exempt fundraising events per year, per site. The fundraisers cannot last longer than four days.

Farm to School

- The State Department of Education, Child Nutrition Programs and the Idaho Preferred Program

The Idaho Legislature

- The bi-cameral Idaho Legislature meets annually from January until mid-March.
- The rules for lobbying in Idaho can be found [here](#).