

# New Resources: State-Funded Grants













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## Opportunity

The California state budget includes a big win for school breakfast: an additional \$2 million in grant funds for public schools that want to startup or expand after-the-bell breakfast programs.

These funds, administered by the California Department of Education (CDE), are granted over a two year period: school year 2017-18 grants were awarded in July 2017, and **the application process for 2018-19 is now open**. CDE will prioritize grants for after-the-bell breakfast programs, and up to **\$15,000 per school site** will be awarded.

**Breakfast after the bell supports equity, health, and academic success by providing more students access to essential, nutritious meals.**

IMPROVED	DECREASED
 Cognitive Function	 Risk for Obesity and Diabetes
 Academic Achievement	 Aggressive Behavior
 School Attendance	 Delinquency
 Diet and Physical Health	 Suspensions
 Emotional Health	 Tardiness

## Who Should Apply

- + Grants are open to public school districts, direct-funded charter schools, and county offices of education. Each agency that applies can request funds for up to 10 school sites.
- + Preference will be given to schools that plan to start or expand after-the-bell breakfast and where at least 60% of students are eligible for free or reduced-price school meals.

## Expected Timeline

- ➔ January 2018: CDE releases a request for grant applications
- ➔ Applications will be due approximately 6 weeks after the grants are first announced
- ➔ June 2018: grantees are selected
- ➔ July 2018: grants are awarded

## Writing a Successful Proposal

Grant awards can be used to fund one-time expenses such as equipment, materials for promotion & outreach (e.g., banners, flyers), and training (not including travel costs or staff salaries).

Successful grant proposals will include a detailed description of the after-the-bell service model to be implemented/expanded and a clear explanation of how the grant will be used to support that model.

**Stay tuned for webinars and other resources about the grant process, after-the-bell breakfast models, and elements of a successful grant proposal.**