



Thursday July 9th



Meals Count

TOOLS TO OPTIMIZE CEP GROUPING & FUNDING

2:00-3:30 PM (PDT)



Co-hosts

California Food Policy Advocates
Food Research & Action Center

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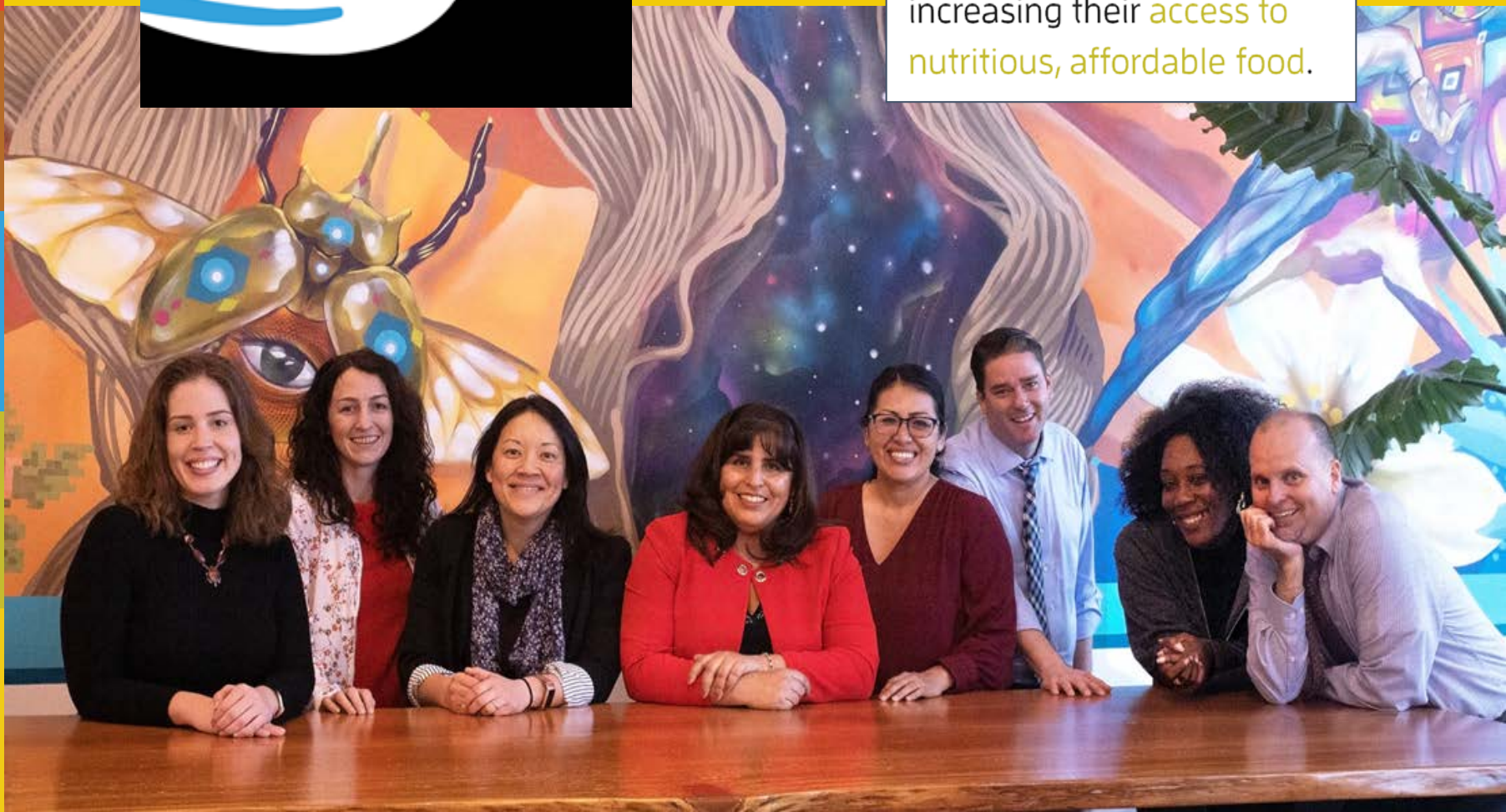
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This webinar is being recorded. The recording and other materials will be shared after the session.



We are a statewide policy and advocacy organization dedicated to improving the health and well-being of low-income Californians by increasing their access to nutritious, affordable food.



Today's Webinar

- CEP Overview
- Meals Count Grouping Tool
- CEP Financial Calculator
- Question & Answer Session

Speakers

Moderator: Angeles Nelson, CFPA



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Community Eligibility Provision 101

Gurjeet Barayah

California Department of Education
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What is CEP?

- 4 year reimbursement option for high poverty LEAs and Schools
- Free Breakfast **and** Lunch for **all** students





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CEP Eligibility

- **Identified Student Percentage (ISP)** of at least 40%
- Serve **both** breakfast and lunch at no cost
- History of implementing the school nutrition programs in compliance with regulations





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ISP Determination (1)

$$\text{ISP} = \frac{\text{Number of students Directly Certified for Free Meals}}{\text{Number of Students Enrolled}}$$

Directly certified includes: CalFresh, CalWorks, Medi-Cal Free, FDPIR, homeless, migrant, runaway, foster, and head start





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ISP Determination (2)

- Use data from **any** time between April 1, 2020 and June 30, 2020
- Pull enrollment and direct certification data at the same time





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Direct Certification Best Practices (1)

- CALPADS:
 - CalFresh
 - CalWorks
 - Medical Free
 - Foster
- Recommend **monthly** reports

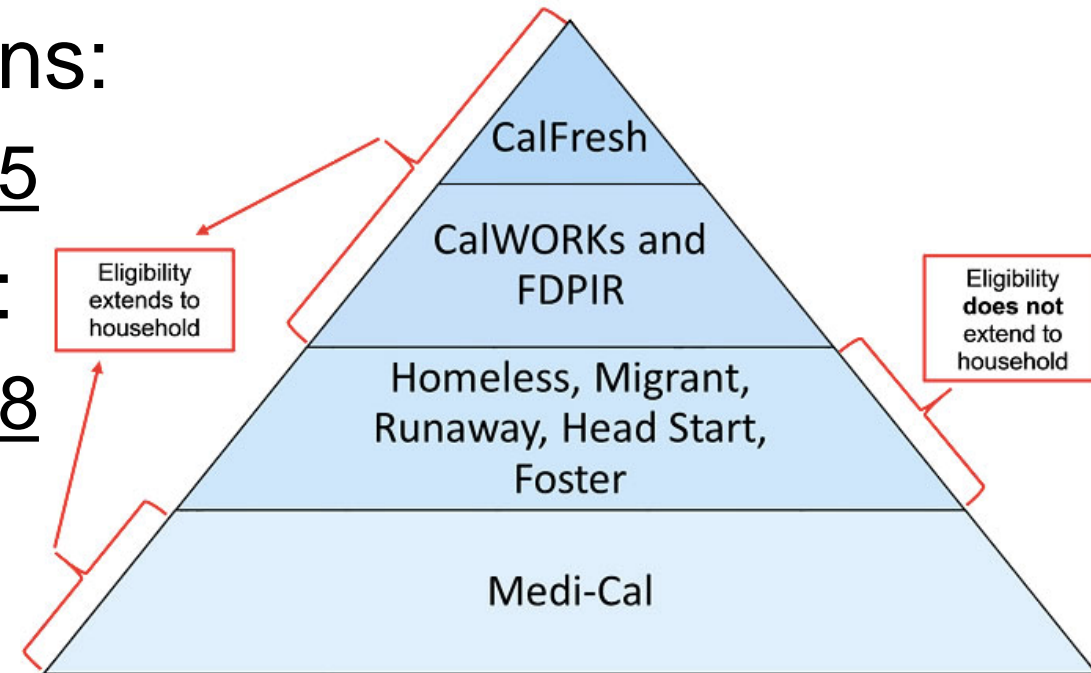




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Direct Certification Best Practices (2)

- Local County for CalFresh, CalWORKs, Foster:
 - www.cde.ca.gov/494543
- Local Homeless Liasons:
 - www.cde.ca.gov/500055
- Local Migrant Liaisons:
 - www.cde.ca.gov/497938





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Grouping Sites

- Maximize ISP by grouping school sites strategically
- Each group establishes its own ISP





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Reimbursement (1)

- $\text{ISP} \times 1.6 = \text{meals claimed at free rate}$
- Remaining meals claimed at paid rate

Example: ISP of 55%

- $55\% \times 1.6 = \mathbf{88\%}$ of meals claimed at free rate
- $100\% - 88\% = \mathbf{12\%}$ of meals claimed at paid rate





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Reimbursement (2)

- ISP will never decrease
- May re-apply for higher ISP
- Non-federal funds to cover cost difference





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CEP Benefits

- Reduced administrative burden
- Simplified meal counting and claiming
- Equity among students
- Elimination of meal debt
- Potential increase in participation and program revenue





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CEP Application

- Deadline extended to **August 31, 2020**
- Review CDE MB SNP-03 2019
 - www.cde.ca.gov/494322
- Contact your SNP Program Specialist





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CEP Application Documents

- SNP 71: CEP Application Checklist
- SNP 19: Meal Count and Collection Procedures
- SNP 55: Identified Students
- Source Documentation: CALPADS extracts, local county lists, liaison lists





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CEP Validation

- ISP validated at time of application
- Completed via desk audit
- No additional ISP review during Administrative Review





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CEP Resources

- CDE CEP Webpage:
 - www.cde.ca.gov/503116
- CDE Course Catalog CEP Training:
 - www.cde.ca.gov/475610
- School Nutrition Program Specialists
 - CNIPS Form Caseload ID





Maximize your CEP Funding with Meals Count

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Paloma Perez Bertrand, San Diego Hunger Coalition

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San Diegans who believe data and technology can better serve citizens, sparking a more vibrant democracy and civic life. We treasure our communities and work together to bolster our public experience. We are a brigade of the national, non-partisan Code for America, leveraging their resources, but keenly focused on our improving local issues here at home.



California should be a place where everyone has the food they need to thrive. For nearly 30 years California Food Policy Advocates has worked to improve the health and well-being of Californians with low-income by increasing access to nutritious, affordable food.



San Diego Hunger Coalition leads coordinated action to end hunger in San Diego County supported by research, education, and advocacy.



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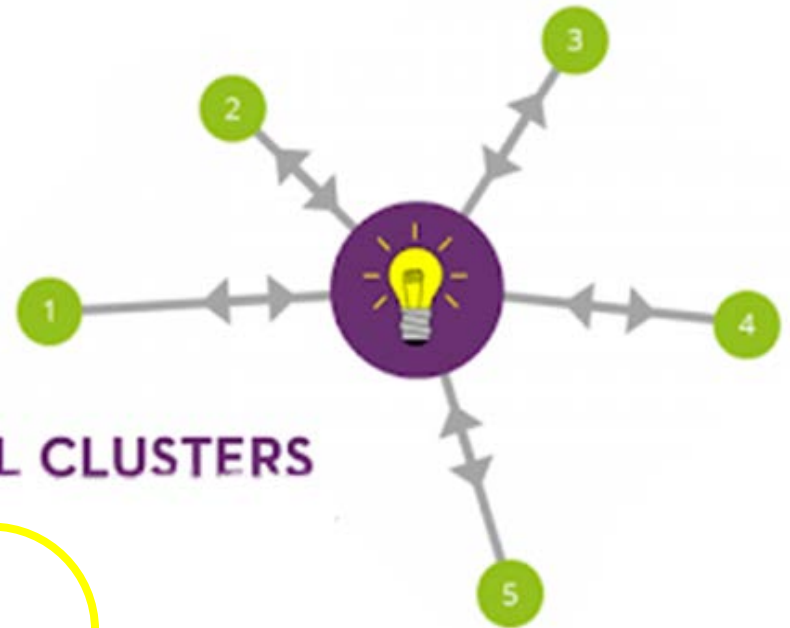


Grouping Schools: A Perceived Barrier to Participation



Grouping five or more schools can result in **100+** scenarios!

Meals Count



Download enrollment and direct certification lists by June 30.



Determine if you are eligible for CEP.

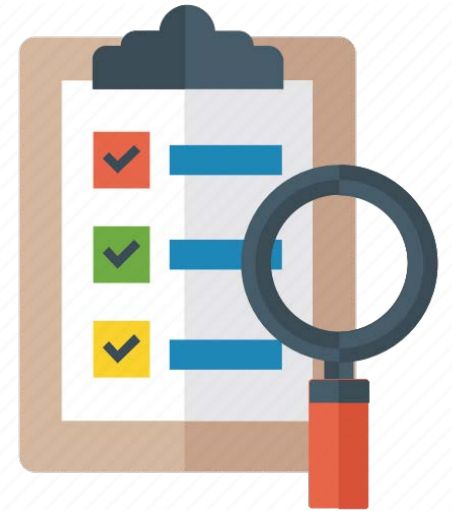
- Group schools
- Financial analysis



If you are eligible, apply before first day of school or by August 31, whichever comes first.

Important Data for Meals Count

- For each school
 - Total enrollment
 - Unduplicated number of identified students
 - Average daily participation for breakfast & lunch
- Actual federal reimbursement rate



Provide free meals while maintaining financial integrity



- Great tool for starting your financial analysis
- Feed more kids
- Increase revenue

Meals Count

Virtual Tour



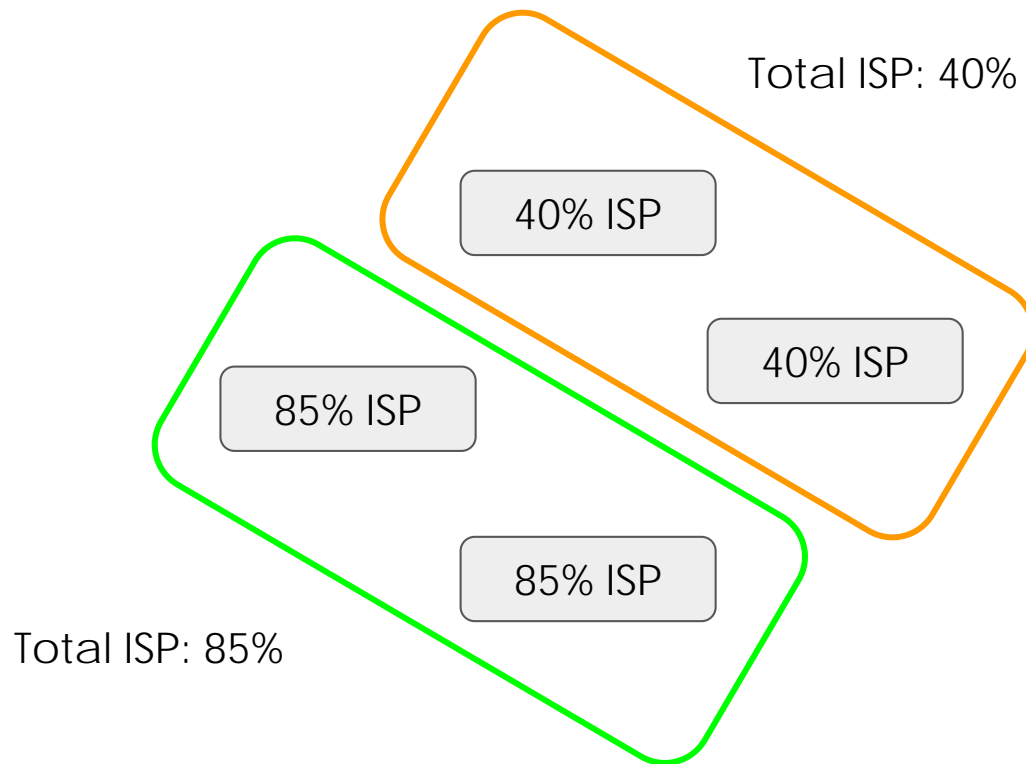
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How Meals Count Works

- Takes in data from school districts per school
- Uses computers to run many different grouping scenarios
- Recommends grouping with the highest potential reimbursement
- Allows you to adjust which schools are run through the algorithms

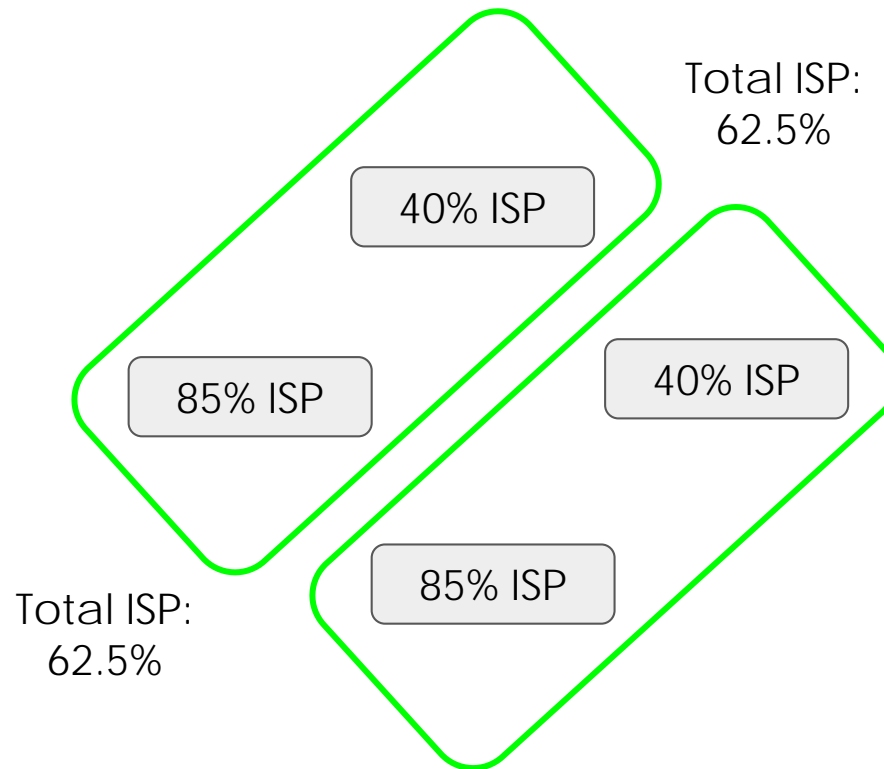
How Meals Count Works

Why Grouping Matters



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How Meals Count Works

A Realistic Example - Oceanside Unified

1	373328	Oceanside High	High Schools (Public)	2,174	481	242	847	✓	31.3%	\$0
2	405848	Louise Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	439	227	156	375	✓	51.7%	\$197,638
2	405850	South Oceanside Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	411	174	123	270	✓	51.8%	\$145,801
3	405813	Santa Margarita Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	358	11	88	200	✓	3.0%	\$0
3	410996	Very Birch Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	488	120	94	299	✓	17.4%	\$0
3	411029	Shutts Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	814	4	77	205	✓	0.8%	\$0
3	411013	Nichols Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	431	104	86	187	✓	30.7%	\$0
4	013434	Coastal Academy Charter	K-12 Schools (Public)	1,330	213	280	492	✓	13.5%	\$0
4	405889	North Terrace Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	756	41	130	332	✓	5.2%	\$0
5	011302	Cesar Chavez Middle	Intermediate/Junior High Schools (Public)	686	297	138	317	✓	43.2%	\$121,186
5	405830	Jefferson Middle	Intermediate/Junior High Schools (Public)	340						
5	405842	Lincoln Middle	Intermediate/Junior High Schools (Public)	839						
5	405871	Mission Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	540						
5	406108	T. G. Cannon Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	321						
5	410811	Christa McAuliffe Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	524						
6	373121	Pacific View Charter	K-12 Schools (Public)	418						
6	373018	El Camino High	High Schools (Public)	2,743						
7	405857	Prater Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	431						
8	405891	Del Rio Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	351	144	143	244	✓	47.3%	\$163,724
9	405833	Lake Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	409	218	48	317	✓	50.4%	\$145,481
9	410446	Reynolds Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	407	203	108	342	✓	52.7%	\$166,714
10	411177	North Luther King Jr. Middle	Intermediate/Junior High Schools (Public)	1,364	328	318	401	✓	23.7%	\$0
10	000001	Nonpublic, Nonrestitution Schools	N/A	13	2	2	4	✓	15.4%	\$6,129
10	011314	Linda Howard Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	563	190	103	177	✓	30.7%	\$97,410
11	373028	Ocean Shores High (Continuation)	Continuation High Schools	126	45	23	34	✓	31.8%	\$20,272
11	405850	Son Luis Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	237	129	37	134	✓	30.2%	\$72,639

+\$260,000 (13%)!

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1	405830	Jefferson Middle	Intermediate/Junior High Schools (Public)	340	248	240	288	✓	49.4%	\$174,634
1	405871	Mission Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	540	254	97	495	✓	52.4%	\$224,728
1	405813	South Oceanside Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	411	174	123	270	✓	51.8%	\$145,801
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3	405850	Son Luis Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	237	129	37	134	✓	30.2%	\$72,717
3	405891	Del Rio Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	351	144	143	244	✓	47.3%	\$157,776
5	405830	Jefferson Middle	Intermediate/Junior High Schools (Public)	340				✓	50.7%	\$164,433
5	405842	Lincoln Middle	Intermediate/Junior High Schools (Public)	839				✓	54.5%	\$0
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Optimized - 1 round
\$2,010,294

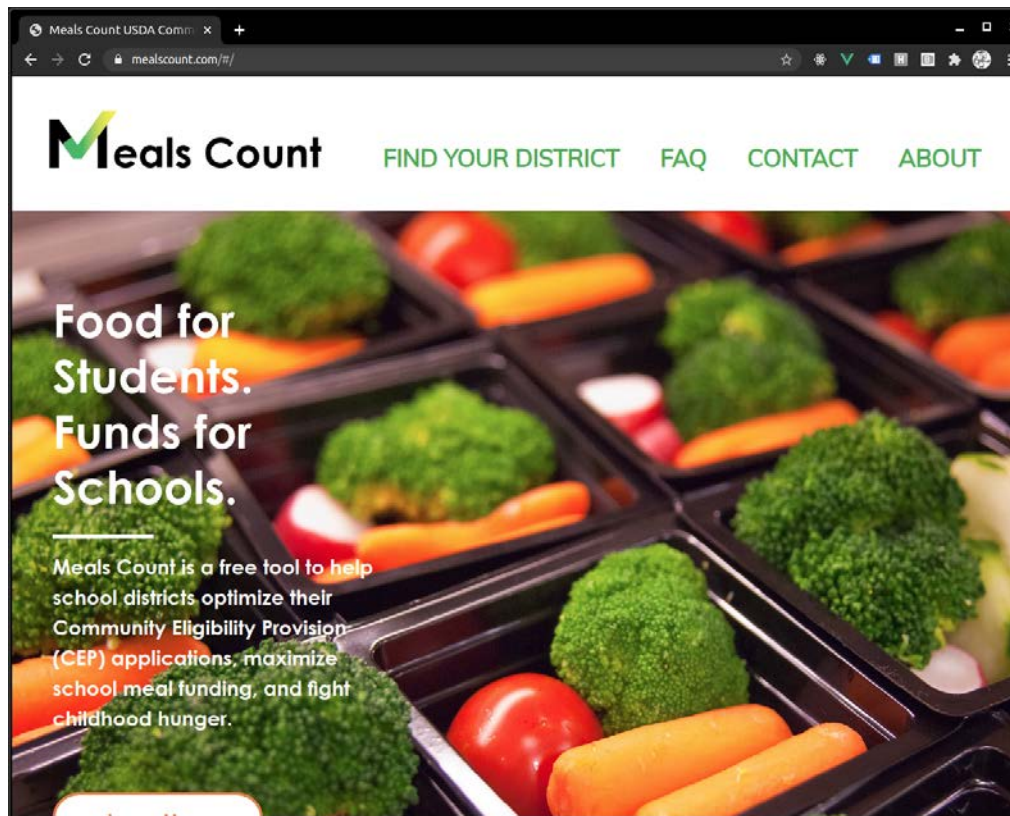
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\$2,270,457

NOTE: Federal reimbursement rates may not be exact to district



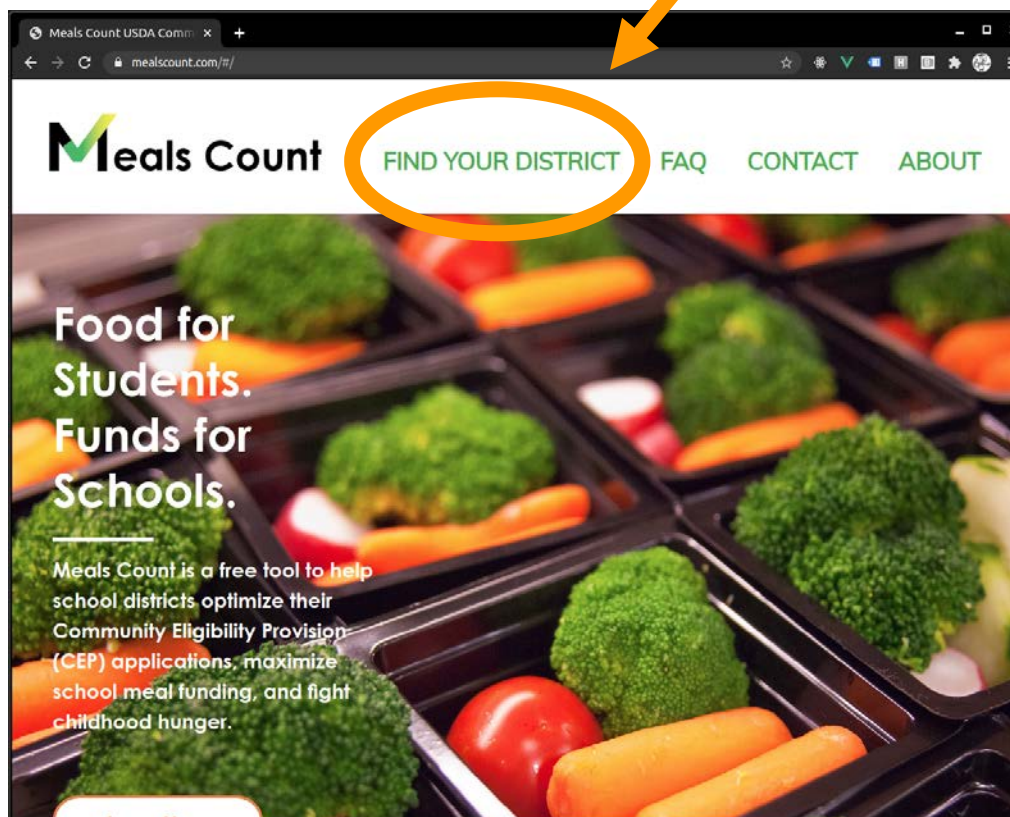
Using Meals Count

Navigate to <https://www.mealscount.com/>



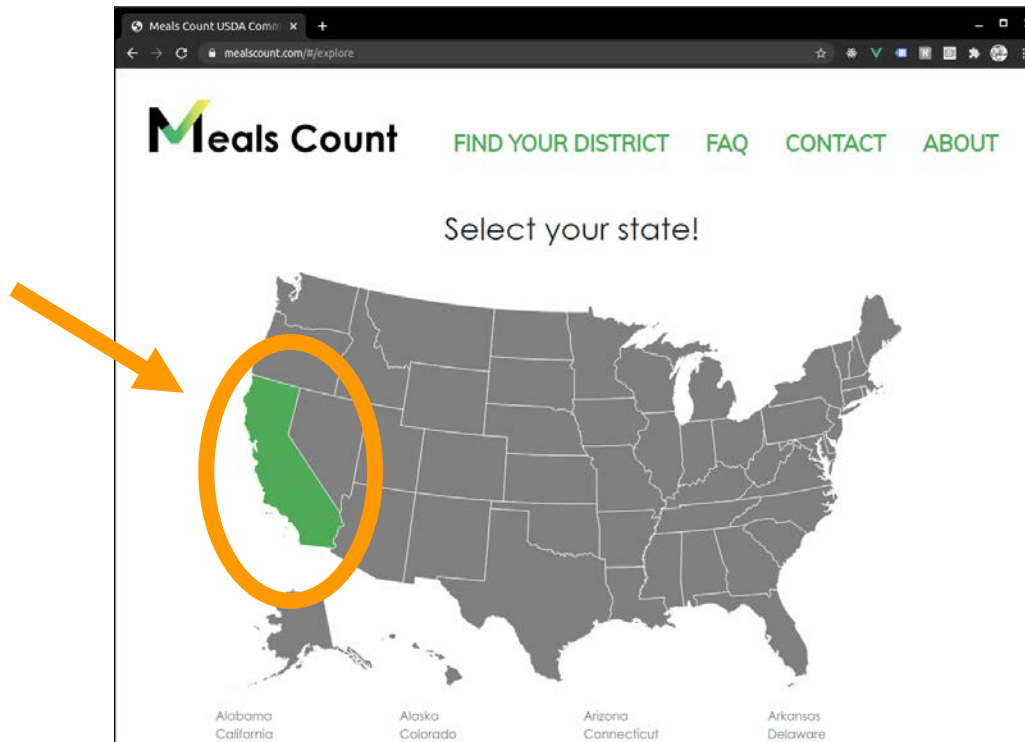
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Click Find Your District



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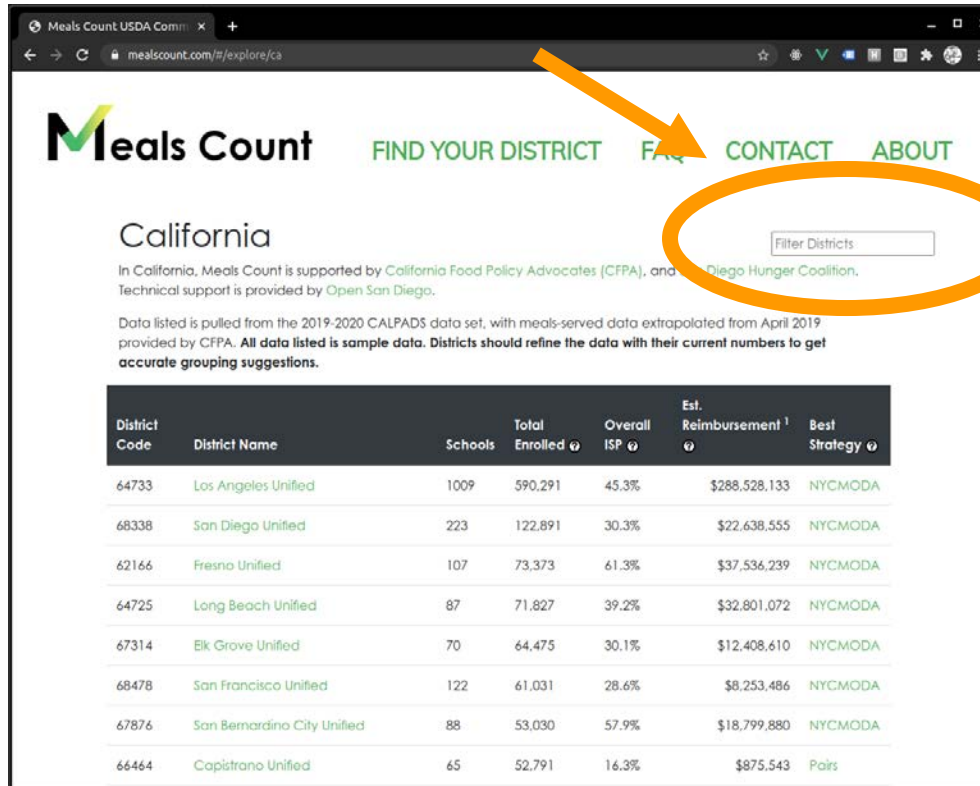
Click on **California**



***Note:** if not in California, click your state. You will have to enter your schools in manually, but all functionality will still work

Using Meals Count

Start typing in your district to filter the list

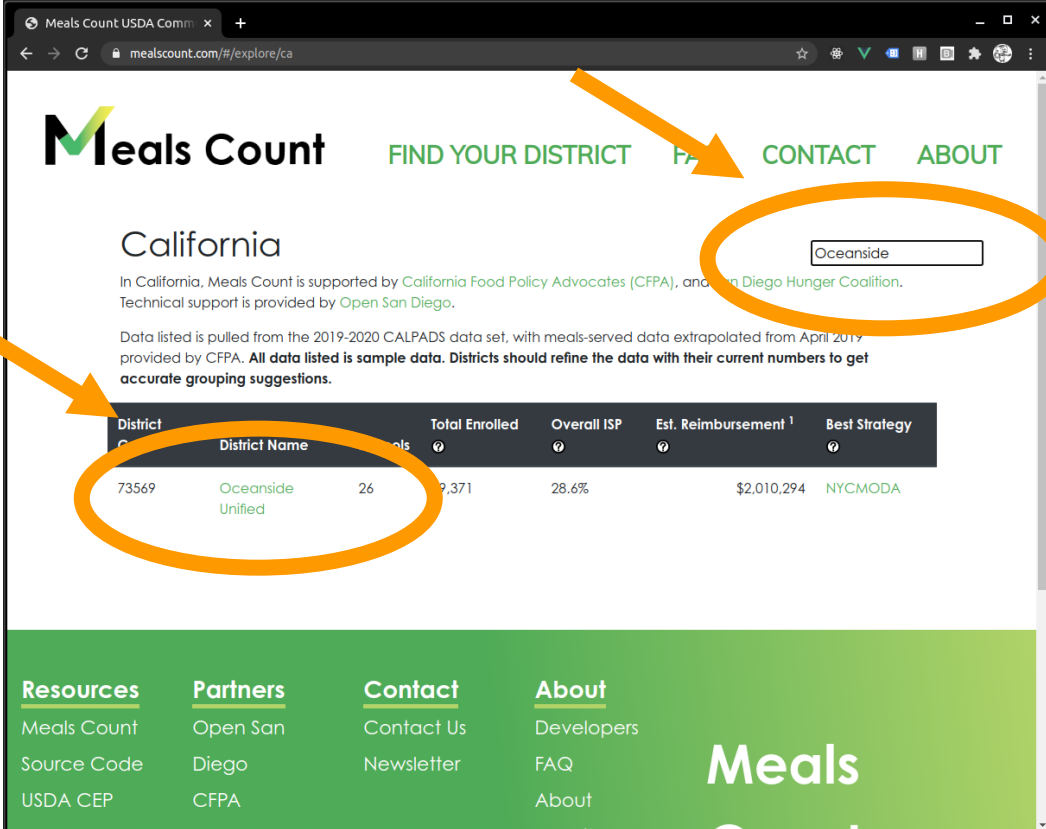


The screenshot shows the Meals Count website interface. The navigation bar includes links for 'FIND YOUR DISTRICT', 'FAQ', 'CONTACT', and 'ABOUT'. The 'Filter Districts' search bar is highlighted with an orange circle, and an orange arrow points to it from the text above. Below the search bar, the page displays information for California, including a table of districts and their associated data.

District Code	District Name	Schools	Total Enrolled	Overall ISP	Est. Reimbursement ¹	Best Strategy
64733	Los Angeles Unified	1009	590,291	45.3%	\$288,528,133	NYCMODA
68338	San Diego Unified	223	122,891	30.3%	\$22,638,555	NYCMODA
62166	Fresno Unified	107	73,373	61.3%	\$37,536,239	NYCMODA
64725	Long Beach Unified	87	71,827	39.2%	\$32,801,072	NYCMODA
67314	Elk Grove Unified	70	64,475	30.1%	\$12,408,610	NYCMODA
68478	San Francisco Unified	122	61,031	28.6%	\$8,253,486	NYCMODA
67876	San Bernardino City Unified	88	53,030	57.9%	\$18,799,880	NYCMODA
66464	Capistrano Unified	65	52,791	16.3%	\$875,543	Pairs

Using Meals Count

Click on your district in the list



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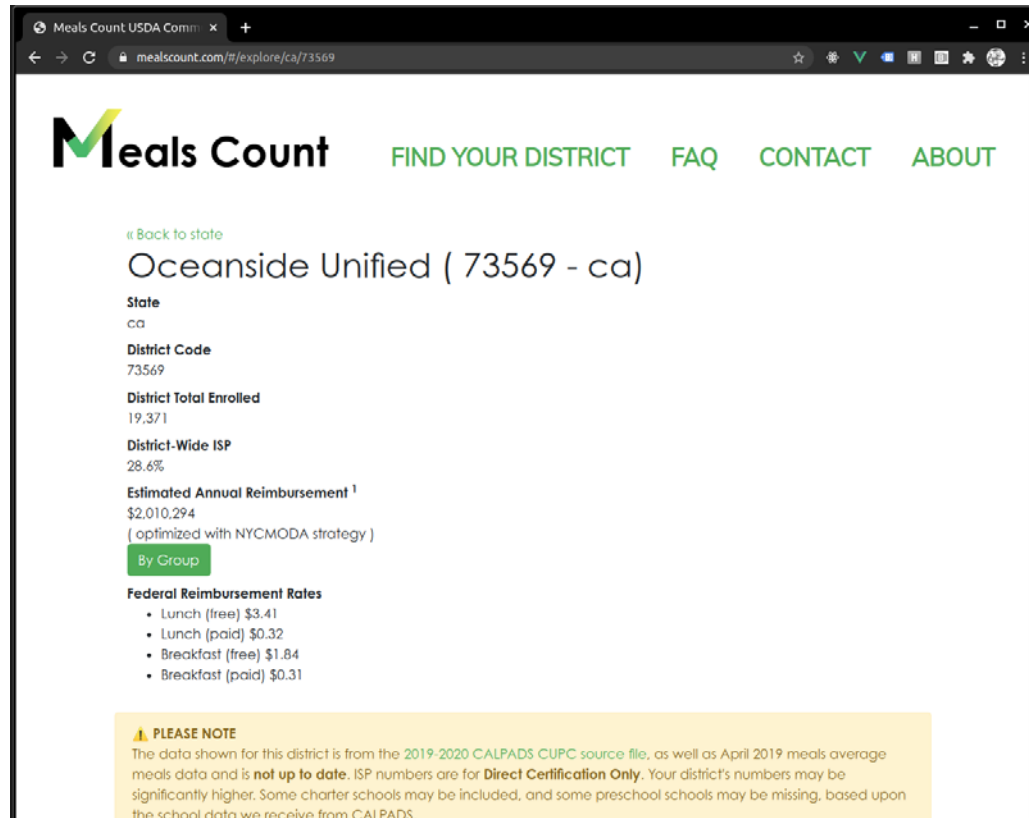
District	District Name	Meals	Total Enrolled	Overall ISP	Est. Reimbursement ¹	Best Strategy
73569	Oceanside Unified	26	9,371	28.6%	\$2,010,294	NYCMODA

***Note:** if your district is not showing up, try clearing the filter and looking with CTRL-F (CMD-F on Mac). If not, please look for the district code (from CALPADS) or contact us.



Using Meals Count

Review your district and school information



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL mealscount.com/#/explore/ca/73569. The page features the Meals Count logo and navigation links: FIND YOUR DISTRICT, FAQ, CONTACT, and ABOUT. Below the navigation, there is a link to « Back to state. The main heading is "Oceanside Unified (73569 - ca)". The page displays the following information:

- State:** ca
- District Code:** 73569
- District Total Enrolled:** 19,371
- District-Wide ISP:** 28.6%
- Estimated Annual Reimbursement ¹:** \$2,010,294 (optimized with NYCMODA strategy)
- By Group:** (button)
- Federal Reimbursement Rates:**
 - Lunch (free) \$3.41
 - Lunch (paid) \$0.32
 - Breakfast (free) \$1.84
 - Breakfast (paid) \$0.31

PLEASE NOTE
The data shown for this district is from the 2019-2020 CALPADS CUPC source file, as well as April 2019 meals average meals data and is **not up to date**. ISP numbers are for **Direct Certification Only**. Your district's numbers may be significantly higher. Some charter schools may be included, and some preschool schools may be missing, based upon the school data we receive from CALPADS.

Using Meals Count

Scroll down to see the schools

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mealscount.com/#/explore/ca/73569

To get the best recommended grouping, the school listing and ISP numbers must be modified to match the reality of your school. For more information or questions, please [Contact Us!](#)

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Recommended Grouping ?	School Code	School Name	School Type ?	Total Enrolled ?	Total Eligible ?	Breakfast Avg Daily Participation (ADP) ?	Lunch Avg Daily Participation (ADP) ?	Included in Optimization ?	Estimated School ISP ?	School CEP Eligible ?	Estimated Annual Reimbursement Per School
1	3735206	Oceanside High	High Schools (Public)	2,174	681	242	847	✓	31.3%		\$0
2	6038848	Laurel Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	439	227	186	373	✓	51.7%	✓	\$197,838
2	6038921	South Oceanside Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	611	194	123	270	✓	31.8%		\$140,501
3	6038913	Santa Margarita Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	558	11	88	202	✓	2.0%		\$0
3	6109995	Ivey Ranch Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	688	120	94	259	✓	17.4%		\$0
3	6115299	Stuart Mesa Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	514	4	77	203	✓	0.8%		\$0
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Understanding the columns

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- **Recommended Grouping:** numerical grouping of the schools in the current recommendation. All Schools marked "1" should be in Group 1, all schools marked "2" should be in Group 2. etc.
- **School Code:** school code (for reference only)
- **School Name:** name of the school (for reference only)
- **School Type:** type of school (for reference only)
- **Total Enrolled:** total number of students enrolled in the school
- **Total Eligible:** estimated number of identified students based on CalFresh & CalWORKs direct certification only

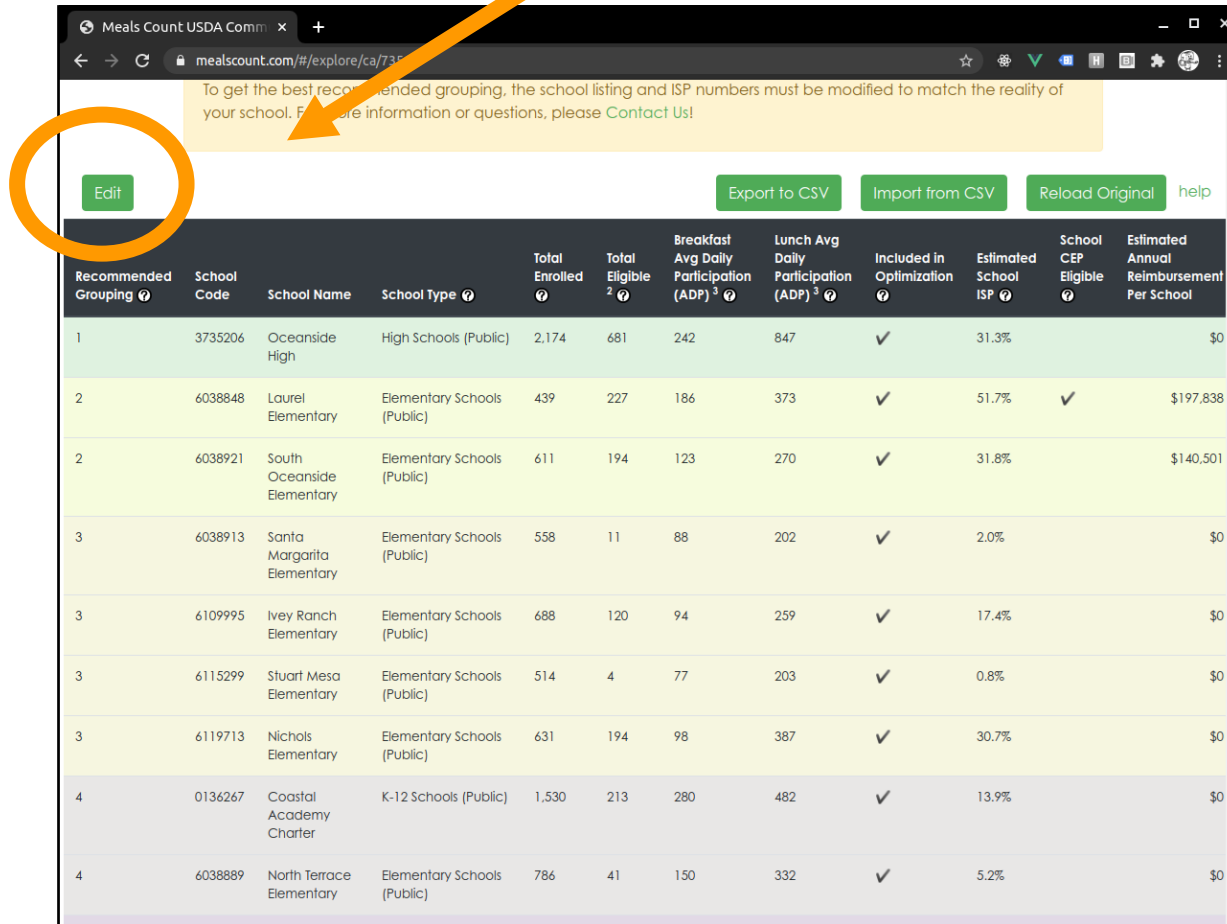
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Understanding the columns (cont.)

- **Breakfast Avg Daily Participation:** average **DAILY** number of breakfasts served
- **Lunch Avg Daily Participation:** average **DAILY** number of lunches served
- **Included in Optimization:** whether or not to include the school in the optimization (e.g. exclude charter schools)
- **Estimated School ISP:** ISP as percentage calculated live from Total Eligible/ Total Enrolled
- **School CEP Eligible:** whether or not the school meets the 40% ISP threshold
- **Estimated Annual Reimbursement:** estimated reimbursement based upon the specified rates & a 180 day school year

Using Meals Count

Click **EDIT** to modify the school listing



To get the best recommended grouping, the school listing and ISP numbers must be modified to match the reality of your school. For more information or questions, please [Contact Us!](#)

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Edit and update school information

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Recommended Grouping	School Code	School Name	School Type	Total Enrolled	Total Eligible	Participation (Breakfast)	Participation (Lunch)	Included in	Estimated School
remove	0113514	Louise Foussat Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	563	190	103	177	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	30.8%
remove	3739026	Ocean Shores High (Continuation)	Continuation High Schools	126	65	23	36	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	51.6%
remove	6038830	Jefferson Middle	Intermediate/Middle Schools (Public)	540	268	243	285	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	49.6%

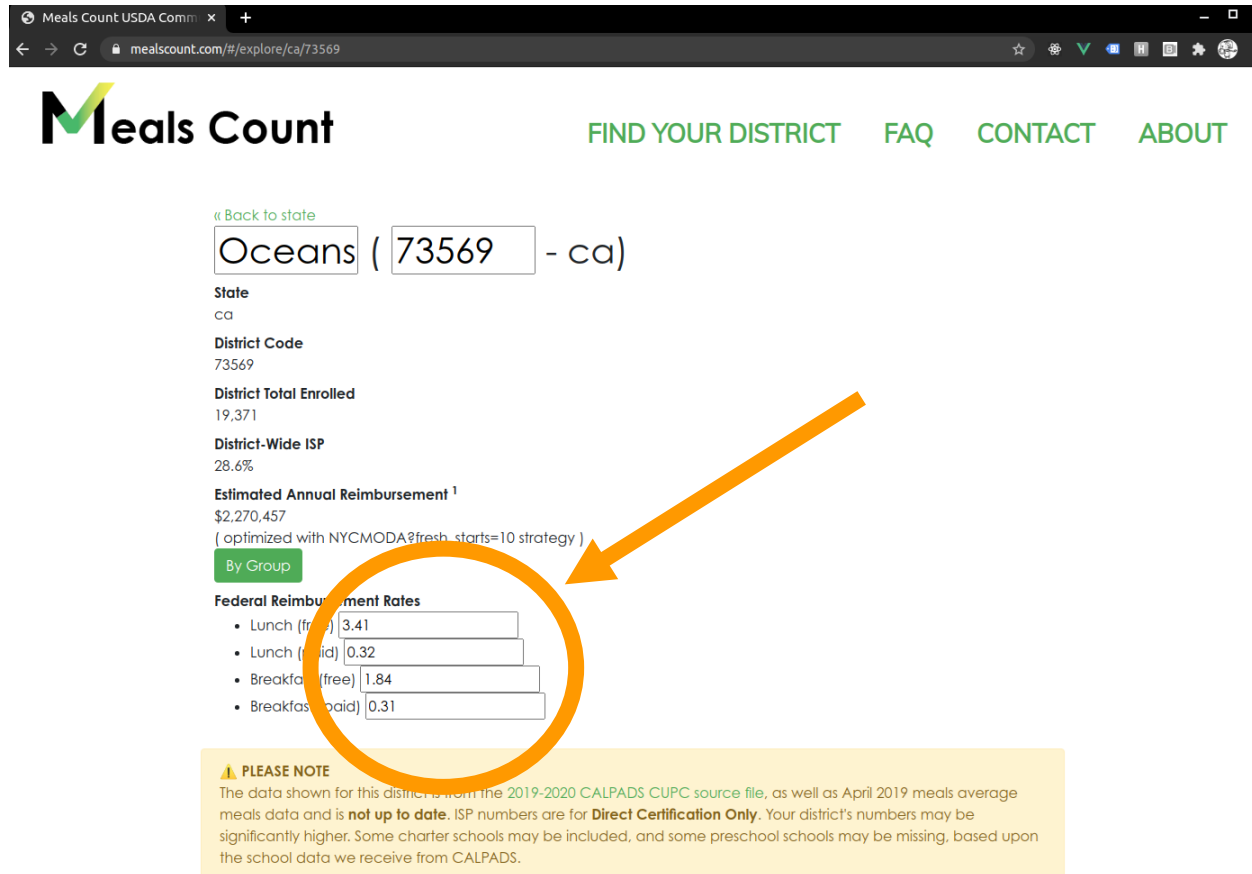
You can edit 5 fields per each school:

1. Total Enrolled
2. Total Eligible
3. Breakfast Average Daily Participation
4. Lunch Average Daily Participation
5. Included in Optimization

Uncheck "Included in Optimization" if the school is not part of your meal program

Using Meals Count

Scroll up to verify / edit federal reimbursement rates



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mealscount.com/#/explore/ca/73569

Meals Count FIND YOUR DISTRICT FAQ CONTACT ABOUT

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Oceans (73569 - ca)

State
ca

District Code
73569

District Total Enrolled
19,371

District-Wide ISP
28.6%

Estimated Annual Reimbursement ¹
\$2,270,457
(optimized with NYCMODA?fresh_starts=10 strategy)

By Group

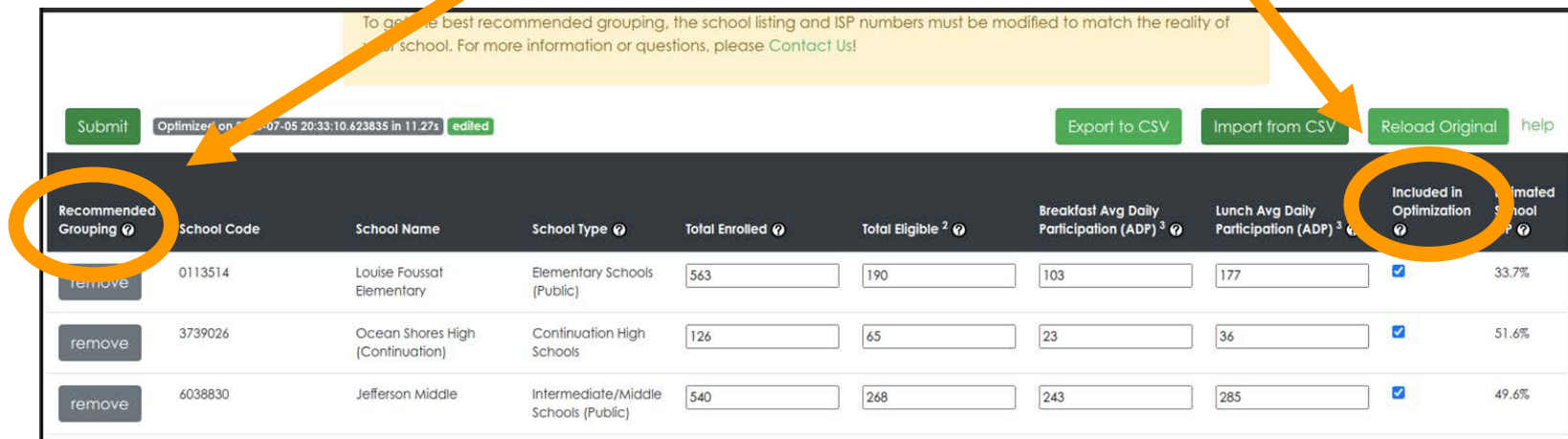
Federal Reimbursement Rates

- Lunch (free) 3.41
- Lunch (paid) 0.32
- Breakfast (free) 1.84
- Breakfast (paid) 0.31

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Using Meals Count

Click “Remove” or uncheck “Included” for any inapplicable schools



To get the best recommended grouping, the school listing and ISP numbers must be modified to match the reality of your school. For more information or questions, please [Contact Us!](#)

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Recommended Grouping ⓘ	School Code	School Name	School Type ⓘ	Total Enrolled ⓘ	Total Eligible ² ⓘ	Breakfast Avg Daily Participation (ADP) ³ ⓘ	Lunch Avg Daily Participation (ADP) ³ ⓘ	Included in Optimization ⓘ	Estimated School P ⓘ
remove	0113514	Louise Foussat Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	563	190	103	177	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	33.7%
remove	3739026	Ocean Shores High (Continuation)	Continuation High Schools	126	65	23	36	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	51.6%
remove	6038830	Jefferson Middle	Intermediate/Middle Schools (Public)	540	268	243	285	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	49.6%

Some schools (e.g. charter schools) are included from our source data but may not be part of your meal program.

You can either “disable” these school from the grouping calculation, or remove them entirely.

Uncheck “Included in Optimization” to disable.

Click “Remove” to remove.

Using Meals Count

Scroll to bottom to add any additional schools

The screenshot shows a table of schools with columns for School Code, School Name, School Type, and various participation metrics. Below the table is an 'Add School' form with the following fields highlighted by orange circles:

School Code	School Name	School Type	Total Enrolled	Total Eligible	Breakfast Average Daily Participation	Lunch Average Daily Participation	Included in Optimization
3735206	Oceanside High	High Schools (Public)	2174	681	242	847	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6038889	North Terrace Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	786	41	150	332	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6115000	Stuart M. Little Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	511	4	1	1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Add School:							
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

You must specify 7 fields to add a school

1. School Code (can be placeholder if you don't have one)
2. School Name
3. School Type (for reference only, can be left default)
4. Total Enrolled
5. Total Eligible
6. Breakfast Average Daily Participation
7. Lunch Average Daily Participation
8. Included in Optimization (keep checked to include in grouping calculation)

Using Meals Count

Click "Submit" to run the grouping calculation

The screenshot displays the Meals Count web application interface. At the top, a yellow banner contains the text: "To get the best recommended grouping, the school listing and ISP numbers must be modified to match the reality of your school. For more information or questions, please [Contact Us!](#)". Below this, a green "Submit" button is circled in orange, with an orange arrow pointing to it from the text above. To the right of the "Submit" button are buttons for "Export to CSV", "Import from CSV", and "Reload Original", along with a "help" link. Below these buttons is a table with the following columns: "Recommended Grouping", "School Code", "School Name", "School Type", "Total Enrolled", "Total Eligible", "Breakfast Avg Daily Participation (ADP)", "Lunch Avg Daily Participation (ADP)", "Included in Optimization", and "Estimated School ISP". The table lists three schools: Louise Foussat Elementary, Ocean Shore (Continuation), and Jefferson Middle. An orange arrow points from the "remove" button next to Louise Foussat Elementary to a smaller inset window. This inset window shows a "Please Wait" modal with the text: "Grouping optimizations are currently being run. The results will update shortly." The background of the inset window shows a detailed table with columns: "Recommended Grouping", "School Code", "School Name", "School Type", "Total", "Total", "Breakfast Avg Daily", "Lunch Avg Daily", "Included in Optimization", "Estimated School ISP", "School CEP", and "Estimated Annual Reimbursement Per School".

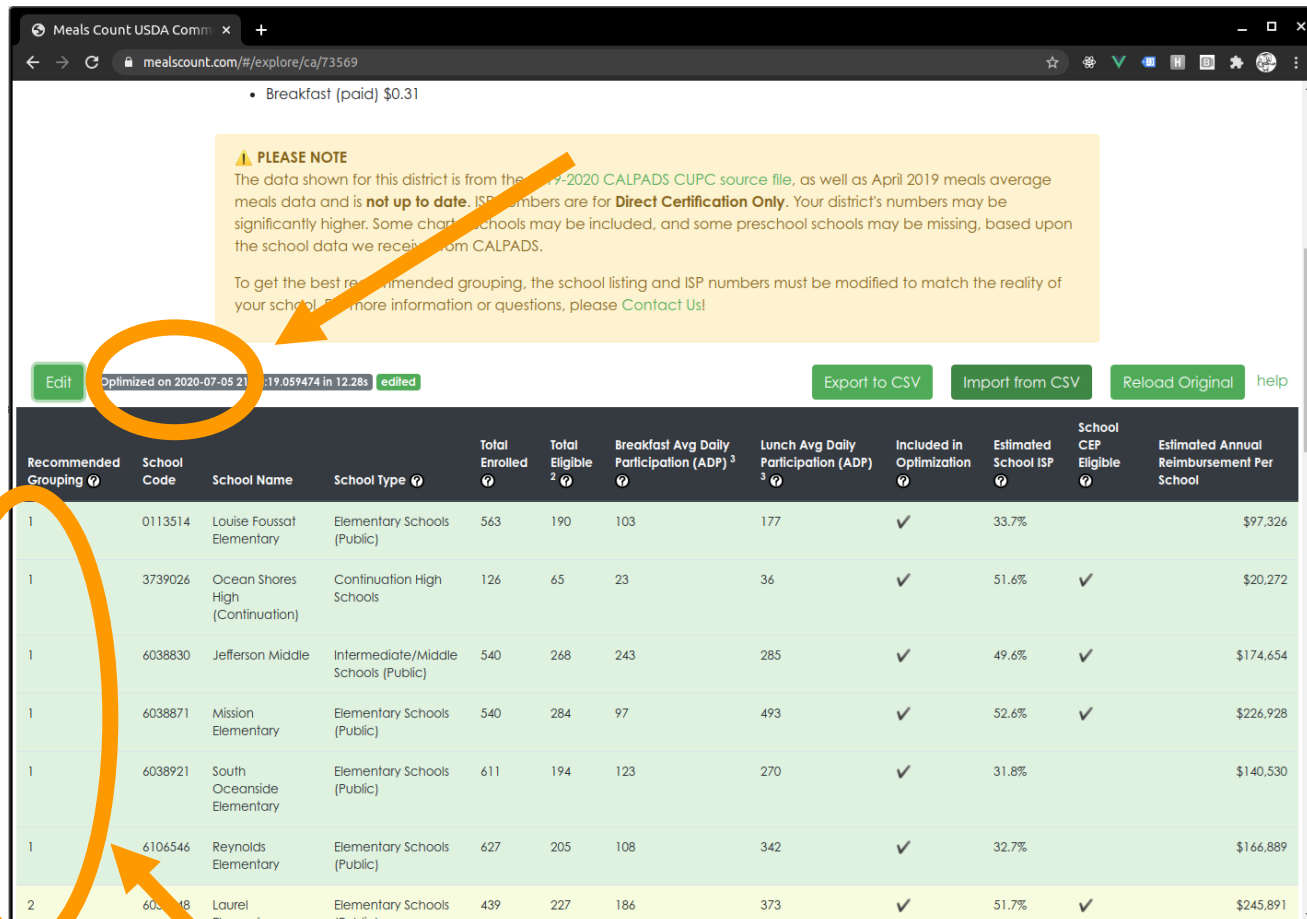
Recommended Grouping	School Code	School Name	School Type	Total Enrolled	Total Eligible	Breakfast Avg Daily Participation (ADP)	Lunch Avg Daily Participation (ADP)	Included in Optimization	Estimated School ISP
remove	0113514	Louise Foussat Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	563	190	103	177	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	33.7%
remove	0026	Ocean Shore (Continuation)					36	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	51.6%
remove	6038830	Jefferson Middle					285	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	49.6%

Recommended Grouping	School Code	School Name	School Type	Total	Total	Breakfast Avg Daily	Lunch Avg Daily	Included in Optimization	Estimated School ISP	School CEP	Estimated Annual Reimbursement Per School
1	3733206	Oceanside High	High School					<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	31.3%		\$0
2	6038848	Laurel Elementary (Public)	Elementary (Public)					<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	51.7%	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$197,638
2	6038921	South Oceanside Elementary	Elementary (Public)					<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	31.8%		\$140,501
3	6038913	Santa Margarita Elementary (Public)	Elementary (Public)					<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2.0%		\$0
3	6109995	Ivey Ranch Elementary (Public)	Elementary (Public)					<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	17.4%		\$0
3	6115299	Stuart Mesa Elementary (Public)	Elementary (Public)					<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	0.8%		\$0
3	6119713	Nichols Elementary (Public)	Elementary (Public)					<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	30.7%		\$0
4	0136267	Coastal Academy Charter	K-12 Schools (Public)	1,530	213	280	482	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	13.9%		\$0
4	6038889	North Terrace Elementary (Public)	Elementary Schools (Public)	784	41	130	332	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5.2%		\$0

Note: Grouping can take up to 30 seconds. Thank you for being patient!

Using Meals Count

Once complete, a notice of the time updated will show



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mealscount.com/#/explore/ca/73569

• Breakfast (paid) \$0.31

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Recommended Grouping	School Code	School Name	School Type	Total Enrolled	Total Eligible	Breakfast Avg Daily Participation (ADP)	Lunch Avg Daily Participation (ADP)	Included in Optimization	Estimated School ISP	School CEP Eligible	Estimated Annual Reimbursement Per School
1	0113514	Louise Foussat Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	563	190	103	177	✓	33.7%		\$97,326
1	3739026	Ocean Shores High (Continuation)	Continuation High Schools	126	65	23	36	✓	51.6%	✓	\$20,272
1	6038830	Jefferson Middle	Intermediate/Middle Schools (Public)	540	268	243	285	✓	49.6%	✓	\$174,654
1	6038871	Mission Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	540	284	97	493	✓	52.6%	✓	\$226,928
1	6038921	South Oceanside Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	611	194	123	270	✓	31.8%		\$140,530
1	6106546	Reynolds Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	627	205	108	342	✓	32.7%		\$166,889
2	6038948	Laurel Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	439	227	186	373	✓	51.7%	✓	\$245,891

Groups numbers are updated and color coded



Using Meals Count

Reviewing the results: overall reimbursement / ISP

Meals Count

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Oceanside Unified (73569 - ca)

State
ca

District Code
73569

District Total Enrolled
19,371

District-wide
28.6%

Estimated Annual Reimbursement ¹
\$2,270,457

By Group

Federal Reimbursement

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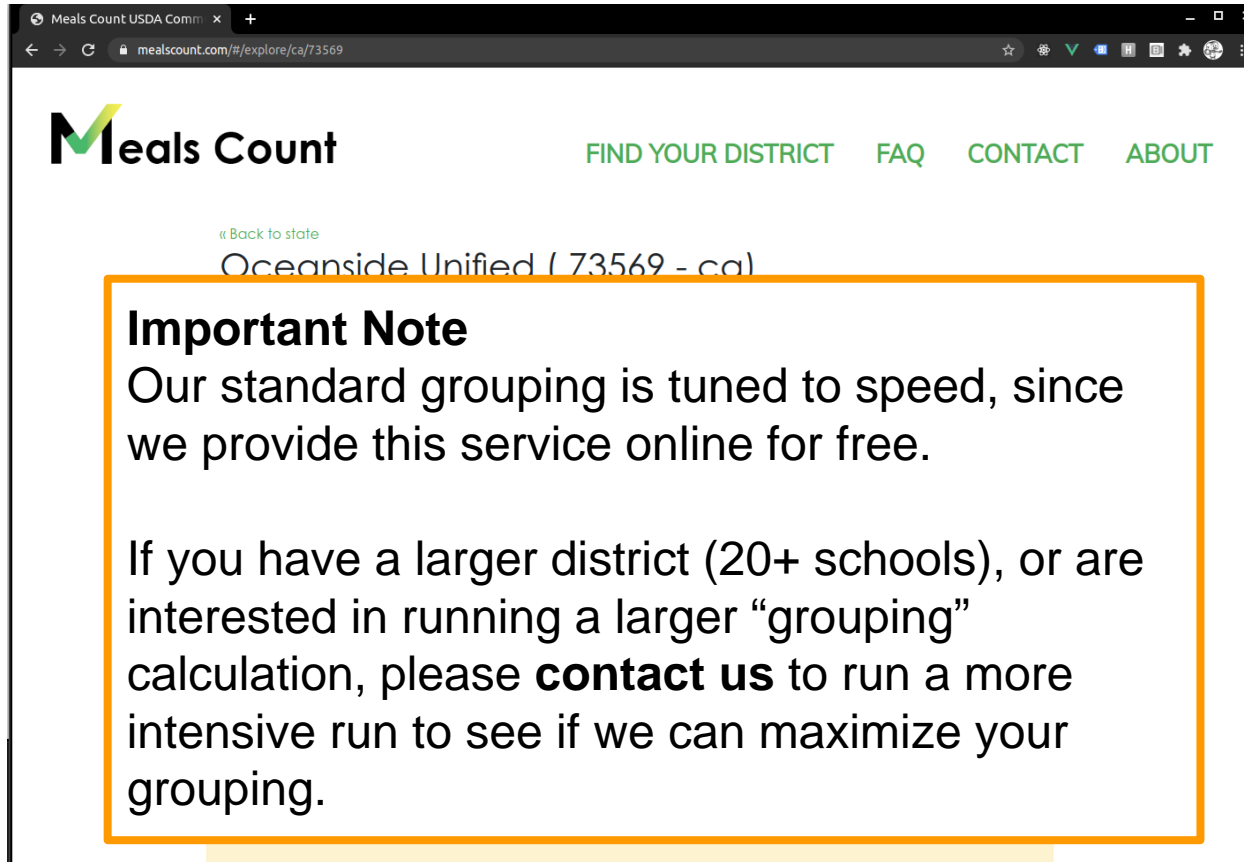
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For the curious, the Meals Count “strategy” used to get this reimbursement is also listed.



Using Meals Count

Reviewing the results: note on optimization



The screenshot shows the Meals Count website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the logo and links for 'FIND YOUR DISTRICT', 'FAQ', 'CONTACT', and 'ABOUT'. Below the navigation bar, there is a breadcrumb trail: « Back to state > Oceanside Unified (73569 - ca). A large orange-bordered box contains the following text:

Important Note
Our standard grouping is tuned to speed, since we provide this service online for free.

If you have a larger district (20+ schools), or are interested in running a larger “grouping” calculation, please **contact us** to run a more intensive run to see if we can maximize your grouping.

Contact us by going to mealscount.com and clicking “Contact” on the top right!



Using Meals Count

Reviewing the results: click “By Group” to see group totals

\$2,270,457
(Optimized NYCMODASH strategy)

By Group

Group Number	Schools	Group ISP	Est. Reimbursement
Group 1	6 Schools	40.1%	\$826,598
Group 2	1 School	51.7%	\$245,891
Group 3	4 Schools	40.9%	\$543,019
Group 4	1 School	24.6%	\$0
Group 5	5 Schools	18.3%	\$0
Group 6	1 School	17.4%	\$0
Group 7	5 Schools	40.2%	\$654,950
Group 8	3 Schools	20.9%	\$0

Federal Reimbursement Rates

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- Breakfast (paid) \$0.31

Using Meals Count

Save your work to CSV

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mealscount.com/#/explore/ca/73569

• Breakfast (paid) \$0.31

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Recommended Grouping	School Code	School Name	School Type	Total Enrolled	Total Eligible	Breakfast Avg Daily Participation (ADP)	Lunch Avg Daily Participation (ADP)	Included in Optimization	Estimated School ISP	School CEP Eligible	Estimated Annual Reimbursement Per School
1	0113514	Louise Fousat Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	563	190	103	177	✓	33.7%		\$97,326
1	3739026	Ocean Shores High (Continuation)	Continuation High Schools	126	65	23	36	✓	51.6%	✓	\$20,272
1	6038830	Jefferson Middle	Intermediate/Middle Schools (Public)	540	268	243	285	✓	49.6%	✓	\$174,654
1	6038871	Mission Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	540	284	97	493	✓	52.6%	✓	\$226,928
1	6038921	South Oceanside Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	611	194	123	270	✓	31.8%		\$140,530
1	6106546	Reynolds Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	627	205	108	342	✓	32.7%		\$166,889
2	6038848	Laurel Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	439	227	186	373	✓	51.7%	✓	\$245,891

Using Meals Count

Click "Download" to download a copy


The screenshot shows the 'Meals Count USDA Community' web application. A table lists various schools with columns for Recommended Grouping, School Code, School Name, School Type, Total, Breakfast Avg Daily, Lunch Avg Daily, Included in Optimization, Estimated School ISP, School CEP Eligible, and Estimated Annual Reimbursement Per School. An 'Export to CSV' dialog box is open, titled 'Download Oceanside Unified as CSV'. It contains the text: 'This file can be used to reimport again and to "save" your grouping. Please note that reimbursement rates are listed for the first school, but will be applied across the entire district based on the first school's rates.' Below this text is a text input field containing 'mealscount-ca-73569.csv' and a green 'Download' button, which is circled in orange. An orange arrow points from the 'Download' button back to the table. The dialog box also has a 'Close me!' button in the bottom right corner.

Recommended Grouping	School Code	School Name	School Type	Total	Total	Breakfast Avg Daily	Lunch Avg Daily	Included in Optimization	Estimated School ISP	School CEP Eligible	Estimated Annual Reimbursement Per School
1	0113514	Louise Fausat Elementary (Public)	Elementary					✓	33.7%		\$97,326
1	373902	Ocean Shores Continuation Schools (Continuation)	Continuation					✓	51.6%	✓	\$20,272
1	6038830	Jefferson Middle (Public)	Intermediate					✓	49.6%	✓	\$174,654
1	6038871	Mission Elementary (Public)	Elementary					✓	52.6%	✓	\$226,928
1	6038921	South Oceanside Elementary (Public)	Elementary					✓	31.8%		\$140,530
1	6106546	Reynolds Elementary (Public)	Elementary					✓	32.7%		\$166,889
2	6038848	Laurel Elementary (Public)	Elementary					✓	51.7%	✓	\$245,891
3	6038855	Libby Elementary (Public)	Elementary	429	218	48	317	✓	50.8%	✓	\$145,091
3	6038905	San Luis Rey Elementary (Public)	Elementary	257	129	37	154	✓	50.2%	✓	\$73,717
3	6069108	E. G. Garrison Elementary Schools	Elementary	322	130	126	256	✓	40.4%	✓	\$137,776

Using Meals Count

Review / share the resulting file

NOTE: CSV or Comma Separated Value files are compatible with Excel , but not the same as XLS or XLSX files. If you modify and save these files as XLS or XLSX, you will need to “Save As” a CSV to be able to re-import to Meals Count



1	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O
2	state	district	group	school_code	school_name	total_enrolled	total_eligible	daily_breakfast_served	daily_lunch_served	included_in_optimization	estimated_school_reimbursement	free_lunch_rate	paid_lunch_rate	free_bkfst_rate	paid_bkfst_rate
3	ca	73569	7	1	Nonpublic, Nonsectarian Schools	13	2	2	4	true	212	3.41	0.32	1.84	0.31
4	ca	73569	1	113514	Louise Foushat Elementary	563	190	103	177	true	9732				
5	ca	73569	7	113522	Cesar Chavez Middle	688	297	126	217	true	119430				
6	ca	73569	5	136267	Coastal Academy Charter	1530	213	280	482	true	0				
7	ca	73569	7	3731221	Pacific View Charter	618	245	176	370	true	194594.4				
8	ca	73569	8	3735206	Oceanside High	2174	681	242	847	true	0				
9	ca	73569	4	3739018	El Capitino High	2950	725	257	500	true	0				
10	ca	73569	1	3739026	Ocean Shores High (Continuation)	126	65	23	36	true	20271.6				
11	ca	73569	1	6038830	Jefferson Middle	540	268	243	285	true	174654				
12	ca	73569	2	6038848	Laurel Elementary	439	227	186	373	true	245890.8				
13	ca	73569	3	6038855	Libby Elementary	429	218	48	317	true	145090.8				
14	ca	73569	7	6038863	Lincoln Middle	839	298	224	305	true	178785				
15	ca	73569	1	6038871	Mission Elementary	540	284	97	493	true	226927.8				
16	ca	73569	8	6038889	North Terrace Elementary	786	41	150	332	true	0				
17	ca	73569	5	6038897	Palmquist Elementary	637	155	123	278	true	0				
18	ca	73569	3	6038905	San Luis Rey Elementary	257	129	37	154	true	73717.2				
19	ca	73569	5	6038913	Santa Margarita Elementary	558	11	88	202	true	0				
20	ca	73569	1	6038921	South Oceanside Elementary	611	194	123	270	true	140529.6				
21	ca	73569	3	6069108	E. G. Garrison Elementary	322	130	126	256	true	137775.6				
22	ca	73569	7	6088991	Del Rio Elementary	351	166	163	294	true	160014.6				
23	ca	73569	1	6106546	Reynolds Elementary	627	205	108	342	true	166888.8				
24	ca	73569	5	6108211	Christa McAuliffe Elementary	556	148	131	254	true	0				
25	ca	73569	6	6109995	Jay Ranch Elementary	688	120	94	259	true	0				
26	ca	73569	5	6111777	Martin Luther King Jr. Middle	1384	328	318	471	true	0				
27	ca	73569	8	6115299	Stuart Mesa Elementary	514	4	77	203	true	0				
28	ca	73569	3	6119713	Nichols Elementary	631	194	98	387	true	186435				
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30															
31															
32															
33															

NOTE: The Federal Reimbursement rates are included under the first school, and will be applied again on import for the district as a whole

Using Meals Count

Upon importing, click "Edit" and then "Submit" to recalculate groupings

The interface displays a table of school data with the following columns: Recommended, School Code, School Name, School Type, Total Enrolled, Total Eligible, Breakfast Avg Daily Participation (ADP), Lunch Avg Daily Participation (ADP), Included in Optimization, Estimated School ISF, School CIP Eligible, and Estimated Annual Reimbursement Per School.

Recommended	School Code	School Name	School Type	Total Enrolled	Total Eligible	Breakfast Avg Daily Participation (ADP)	Lunch Avg Daily Participation (ADP)	Included in Optimization	Estimated School ISF	School CIP Eligible	Estimated Annual Reimbursement Per School
1	3735206	Oceanside High	High Schools (Public)	2,174	681	242	847	✓	31.3%	✓	\$0
2	6038848	Laurel Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	439	227	186	373	✓	51.7%	✓	\$197,838
2	6038921	South Oceanside Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	611	194	123	270	✓	31.8%		
3	6038913	Santa Margarita Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	558	11	88	202	✓	2.0%		
3	6109995	Ivey Ranch Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	688	120	94	259	✓	17.4%		
3	6115299	Stuart Mesa Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	514	4	77	203	✓	8%		
3	6119713	Nichols Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	631	194	98	387	✓	30.7%		
4	0136267	Coastal Academy Charter	K-12 Schools (Public)	1,530	213	280	482	✓	13.9%		
4	6038889	North Terrace Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	786	41	150	332	✓	5.2%		

The right screenshot shows the same data in an edit mode with the following columns: School Code, School Name, School Type, Total Enrolled, Total Eligible, and Breakfast Avg Daily Participation (ADP). Each row has a 'remove' button and input fields for the data.

remove	School Code	School Name	School Type	Total Enrolled	Total Eligible	Breakfast Avg Daily Participation (ADP)
remove	3735206	Oceanside High	High Schools (Public)	2174	681	242
remove	6038848	Laurel Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	439	227	186
remove	6038921	South Oceanside Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	611	194	123
remove	6038913	Santa Margarita Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	558	11	88
remove	6109995	Ivey Ranch Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	688	120	94
remove	6115299	Stuart Mesa Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	514	4	77
remove	6119713	Nichols Elementary	Elementary Schools (Public)	631	194	98
remove	0136267	Coastal Academy Charter	K-12 Schools (Public)	1530	213	280
remove	6038889	North Terrace Elementary	Elementary Schools	786	41	150

YOU MUST RE-SUBMIT THE GROUPINGS - groupings are not automatically imported from the Import CSV, and will remain what they were before import

Using Meals Count

Note on saving / sharing

- You must **Export to CSV** to “Save” your district
- To share a district, send the user the CSV File you exported
- You may create unlimited “CSV” exports as a way of testing different scenarios
- To load a “saved” district, **Import from CSV** and then **click “Edit” and “Submit”** to recalculate groupings and estimate reimbursements

A vertical bar on the left side of the slide with a color gradient from orange at the top to yellow at the bottom, passing through red, brown, and blue.

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Live Demo

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CEP Financial Calculators

Etienne Melcher Philbin



Financial Calculator Tools

While we are working to add these to our website, you can download an Excel version of these three financial calculator tools:

[CEP Break-Even Calculator](#)[CEP District Level Calculator](#)[CEP School Level Calculator](#)



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via the Q&A box

THANK YOU!

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