

Oswego CUSD 308 Food Service Contract

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Food Service Decision-Making Considerations

- The last Food Service contract start date was July 2019 with annual price increase requests typically subject to CPI increases.
- Last year we entered into a one-year emergency contract with Aramark.
 - Access to additional reimbursements made available through “supply chain” funds (\$340,000); and
 - Utilized an additional reimbursement through The Keep Kids Fed Act, which allowed us to keep lunch prices at the same level they were for the 2021-22 school year.

FY24 Food Service Contract

For the 2023-24 food service contract, the recommendation is to enter into a second one-year emergency contract.

- The district would avoid going to RFP in a known inflationary market (based on last two years of elevated CPI).
- If approved, our next RFP for food service would be issued Fall of 2023.
- The Keep Kids Fed Act is no longer an option, so for the 2023-24 school year, lunch prices could be increased to reflect our 2023-24 reimbursement rate.

Food Service

Reimbursement Rate

- We utilize the Paid Lunch Equity Tool (PLE) to determine how much prices should be raised.
- According to the PLE tool, a paid student should be paying the difference between the current reimbursement rate that we receive for free students less the reimbursement amount you received for a paid student.
- **This year's reimbursement rates are \$4.33 (free) - \$0.77(paid) = \$3.56.**
- The reimbursement rates are adjusted annually so this number will change.

Historic Food Rates & Increases

Recommendation:

- Raise Lunch rates \$0.40
- Keep pace with the PLE tool through smaller annual raises to reflect the most recent reimbursement rate.

| School Year | Secondary | Actual increase | Elementary | Actual increase |
|-------------|-----------|-----------------|------------|-----------------|
| 2000-2001 | \$1.75 | | \$1.35 | |
| 2001-2002 | \$1.75 | \$0.00 | \$1.35 | \$0.00 |
| 2002-2003 | \$1.75 | \$0.00 | \$1.35 | \$0.00 |
| 2003-2004 | \$1.90 | \$0.15 | \$1.50 | \$0.15 |
| 2004-2005 | \$1.90 | \$0.00 | \$1.50 | \$0.00 |
| 2005-2006 | \$1.90 | \$0.00 | \$1.50 | \$0.00 |
| 2006-2007 | \$2.05 | \$0.15 | \$1.65 | \$0.15 |
| 2007-2008 | \$2.05 | \$0.00 | \$1.65 | \$0.00 |
| 2008-2009 | \$2.20 | \$0.15 | \$1.80 | \$0.15 |
| 2009-2010 | \$2.20 | \$0.00 | \$1.80 | \$0.00 |
| 2010-2011 | \$2.35 | \$0.15 | \$1.95 | \$0.15 |
| 2011-2012 | \$2.35 | \$0.00 | \$1.95 | \$0.00 |
| 2012-2013 | \$2.35 | \$0.00 | \$1.95 | \$0.00 |
| 2013-2014 | \$2.75 | \$0.40 | \$2.35 | \$0.40 |
| 2014-2015 | \$2.75 | \$0.00 | \$2.35 | \$0.00 |
| 2015-2016 | \$2.75 | \$0.00 | \$2.35 | \$0.00 |
| 2016-2017 | \$2.75 | \$0.00 | \$2.35 | \$0.00 |
| 2017-2018 | \$2.75 | \$0.00 | \$2.35 | \$0.00 |
| 2018-2019 | \$2.85 | \$0.10 | \$2.45 | \$0.10 |
| 2019-2020 | \$3.15 | \$0.30 | \$2.75 | \$0.30 |
| 2020-2021 | FREE | FREE | FREE | FREE |
| 2021-2022 | FREE | FREE | FREE | FREE |
| 2022-2023 | \$3.15 | \$0.00 | \$2.75 | \$0.00 |