

State Meal Eligibility (North Dakota) - Configuration and Usage

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State meal eligibility allows students who do not qualify for federal free or reduced meals to receive meals based on state-specific income guidelines.

This process includes:

- Manually assigning state eligibility
- Configuring meal pricing
- Understanding cashier experience
- Running federal and state reports

Note: Standard eligibility processing (applications, imports, and federal determination) follows normal system processes. This article focuses on state-specific differences.

Understand Eligibility Sources

Student eligibility for federally funded free or reduced lunch can be determined based on an online or paper application. These applications are processed in Campus in Online Applications or Household Applications.

State meal eligibility is **not automatically calculated** and must be evaluated manually using state guidelines.

Mark Students as State Meal Eligible

The **State Code** field is used for general state reporting, while **State Meal Eligibility** is a separate checkbox that controls meal pricing for state-qualified students. Students marked as state-eligible remain classified as **Paid** for federal reporting purposes, and state eligibility affects **pricing only**, not federal status. Because this designation is not applied automatically, you must update the **State Meal Eligibility** checkbox individually for each student who qualifies.

Eligibility Detail

School Year (Required)

26-27

Start Date (Required)

07/01/2026

End Date (Required)

10/30/2027

Eligibility Type (Required)

Meal

Eligibility (Required)

Paid

Source *

☒ Non-Direct
 ☐ Direct

Certified Type (Required)

Income

Opt Out Medicaid

☒

Opt Out SCHIP

☒

State Meal Eligibility

Household application qualifies for State meal pricing

☒

State Eligibility Code

N

Update

Cancel

Delete

1. Go to **FRAM > Application Processing > Eligibility**.
2. Open the student's eligibility record.
3. Select **State Meal Eligibility**.
4. Click **Update** for existing eligibility or **Save** for new eligibility.

Process Household Applications

Free and reduced eligibility is **date-based**, so changes to a household's application can affect eligibility status. If a family submits a new application or an existing application is amended, a warning appears in Step 3: Review under Application Eligibility by Student, indicating that any previously assigned **State Meal Eligibility** will not carry forward to the new eligibility record. After processing the update, you must review each affected student and **reapply the State Meal Eligibility checkbox** if they still qualify under state guidelines.

Household Applications ☆ FRAM > Application Processing > Household Applications

Abegg ID: 13287 Phone: (763)555-0199

Amend Application

1 Type

2 Details

3 Review

Application Status

Household Income: \$124,000 / Annual

Household Size: 7

Approved Eligibility: Paid

Application Status: Complete: high income

Reference Number: 939-A

Application Name: Abegg, Donald L

Override Status:

Override Reason:

Application Eligibility by Student

If this Application qualifies for State Meal pricing, after processing this application, proceed to each students' FRAM>Eligibility record and select the State Meal Eligibility field. Also note, a copied or amended application will clear any previously checked State Meal Eligibility field.

NAME	APPROVED ELIGIBILITY	CERTIFIED TYPE
Cardinal, Peggy M	PAID	Income
Abegg, Stella	PAID	Income
Abegg, Justin J	PAID	Income

1. Go to **FRAM > Application Processing > Household Applications**.
2. Create an application or View on an existing application.
3. Follow the steps for [Enter New Household Applications](#) or [Amend Household Applications](#).
4. Click **Process**.

Configure Meal Items with State Pricing

State pricing is available only for **reimbursable meal categories**, such as **Breakfast** or **Lunch**, and does not apply to à la carte items. When you enable **State Eligibility Meal**, a **State Price** column is added to the Purchasable Item Pricing section. Once the item is used in a transaction, the configuration becomes locked. You can no longer modify the State Meal Eligibility checkbox or the initial pricing record once it's used, so confirm accuracy before saving and using the item.

Purchasable Items ☆ Food Service > Administration > Purchasable Items

Purchasable Item Detail

Name: (Required)

Active: ☒

Item Category: (Required)

Category Type: Meal

State Eligibility Meal
☒ Adds State Meal pricing option

Federal Programs:

Description: (Required)

Purchasable Item Pricing

Pricing changes should not be made during an active serving period.

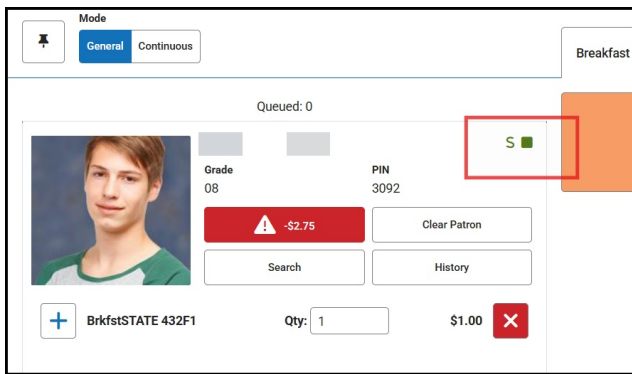
EFFECTIVE DATE	NON-REIMBURSABLE PRICE (REQUIRED)	PAID PRICE (REQUIRED)	REDUCED PRICE (REQUIRED)	FREE ELIGIBLE	STATE PRICE (REQUIRED)
Initial Price Record	\$2.50	\$2.50	\$0.40	☒	\$0.00

1. Go to **Food Service > Administration > Purchasable Items**.
2. Create a new item or edit an unused item.
3. Select either Breakfast Meal or Lunch Meal under Item Category.
4. Mark the State Eligibility Meal checkbox.
5. Select **State Meal Pricing**.
6. Enter values for **Paid, Reduced, Free**, and the **State** price (commonly set to \$0).
7. Click **Save**.

State Eligibility Indicator in Point of Sale

In the Point of Sale terminal, students who are marked as state eligible display an **“S” icon** when they are selected as the active patron. This indicator provides a quick visual confirmation of state meal eligibility during transactions.

The icon appears only if the **Eligibility** setting under **Display** is enabled in **POS Terminal Admin**. If this preference is turned off, the “S” indicator and all eligibility icons will not be visible to the cashier.



Reporting (Federal and State)

State meal eligibility impacts both federal reporting and state funding reporting. While standard reports continue to support federal requirements, Ad Hoc reporting is required for state-specific data. Voided state eligible transactions are excluded automatically, as well as both the original void and reversal transactions.

Federal Reporting

Continue using standard reports, including the Edit Check Report, for federal meal reporting.

- Students with state meal eligibility remain classified as Paid
- Meals served to these students must be included in Paid meal totals
- Existing reports and processes do not change

You can also use Ad Hoc Reporting to generate:

- Student counts by eligibility status (Paid, Reduced, Free)

State Reporting

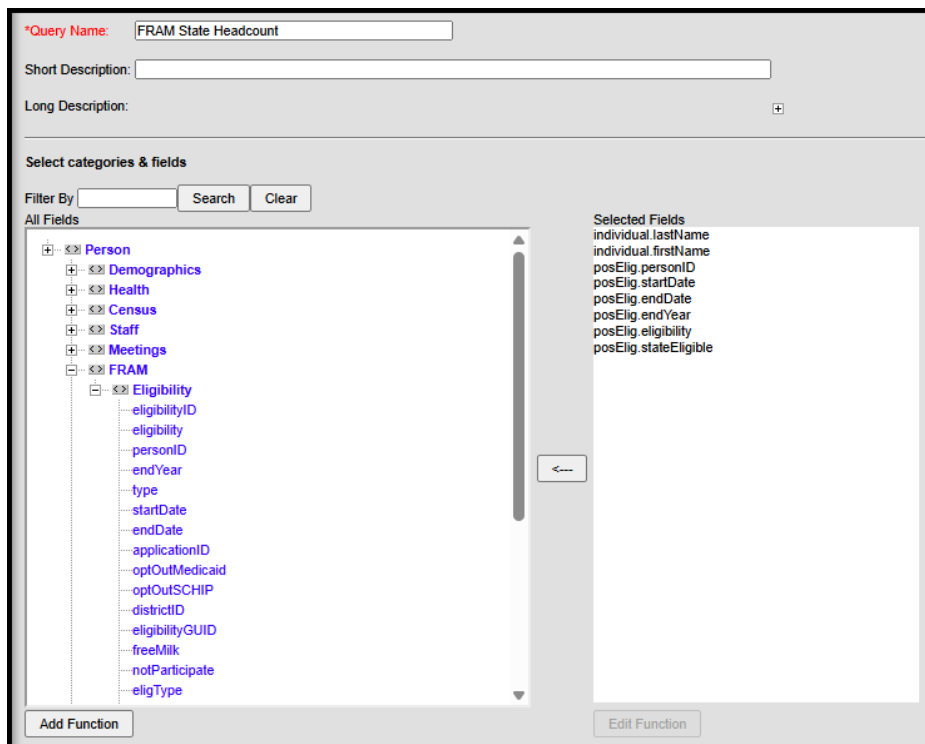
For instructions on adding report parameters and fields in Filter Designer, see the [Query Wizard](#) documentation.

To report for state funding, you must create Ad Hoc Data Export reports under Reporting > Ad Hoc Reporting > Data Export. Two reports are available:

State eligibility headcount report

This report tracks the number of students with state eligibility during a reporting period.

In Filter Designer, build a query using fields under: Student or Census/Staff > FRAM > Eligibility.



The screenshot shows the Filter Designer interface for a query named "FRAM State Headcount". The interface includes fields for "Short Description" and "Long Description". Below these is a "Select categories & fields" section with a "Filter By" dropdown, "Search", and "Clear" buttons. The "All Fields" list on the left is expanded to show the "FRAM" category, which includes "Eligibility". The "Selected Fields" list on the right contains the following fields: individual.lastName, individual.firstName, posElig.personID, posElig.startDate, posElig.endDate, posElig.endYear, posElig.eligibility, and posElig.stateEligible. At the bottom, there are "Add Function" and "Edit Function" buttons.

Include:

1. individual.lastName
2. individual.firstName
3. posElig.personID
4. posElig.startDate
5. posElig.endDate
6. posElig.endYear
7. posElig.eligibility - This is the student's Federal Eligibility and S = Paid.
8. posElig.stateEligible - 1 = State Eligible is TRUE.

Report results can be filtered by:

- Reporting date range:
 - **Start Date:** Must be on or after the date applications were first accepted (typically **July 1** of the current school year).
 - **End Date:** Must be on or after the first day of the reporting period (for example, **June 1, 2026**, when reporting for June 2026).
- State eligibility = TRUE

Filter the data

ID	*Field	Operator	Value
1	student.lastName		
2	student.firstName		
3	student.personID		
4	posElig.eligibilityID		
5	posElig.eligibility		
6	posElig.personID		
7	posElig.startDate	>=	07/01/2025
8	posElig.endDate	>=	06/01/2026
9	posElig.stateEligible	= TRUE	

Add

Monthly meal count report

This report tracks meals served to state-eligible students. In Filter Designer, build a query using fields under Student or Census/Staff > Point of Sale > State Eligible Transactions.

Ad Hoc Query Wizard - Field Selection

Select fields to use for creating a filter for which logic and output formatting may be applied. Click a field within the All Fields window, or use the Add Function option to sequence the fields in the order selected; however, the sequence can be changed on the Output Formatting screen. At least one field must be selected to continue.

Field Selection > Filter Parameters > Output Formatting > Grouping and Aggregation

*Query Name:

Short Description:

Long Description:

Select categories & fields

Filter By Search Clear

All Fields

- [-] [-] Custom Tab: Technology Assets
 - [-] [-] Point-of-Sale
 - [-] [-] Account Detail
 - [-] [-] POS Identification
 - [-] [-] Transaction Detail
 - [-] [-] State Eligible Transactions
 - personID
 - studentNumber
 - firstName
 - lastName
 - categoryName
 - transactionID
 - txTimeStamp
 - quantity
 - amount
 - description
 - eligibilityCode
 - purchasableID
 - purchasableName
 - stateCode
 - schoolID
 - [-] [-] Legacy Online Payments
 - [-] [-] Online Payments
 - [-] [-] POS Payments

Add Function

Selected Fields

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posTxSE.personID
posTxSE.studentNumber
posTxSE.firstName
posTxSE.lastName
posTxSE.categoryName
posTxSE.transactionID
posTxSE.txTimeStamp
posTxSE.quantity
posTxSE.amount
posTxSE.description
posTxSE.eligibilityCode
posTxSE.purchasableID
posTxSE.purchasableName
posTxSE.stateCode
posTxSE.schoolID
  
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Edit Function

Include:

- posTxSE.personID
- posTxSE.studentNumber
- posTxSE.firstName (sort priority 3)
- posTxSE.lastName (sort priority 2)
- posTxSE.categoryName (sort priority 1)
- posTxSE.transactionID
- posTxSE.txTimeStamp (limit to reporting period)
- posTxSE.quantity
- posTxSE.amount
- posTxSE.description
- posTxSE.eligibilityCode
- posTxSE.purchasableID
- posTxSE.purchasableName
- posTxSE.stateCode
- posTxSE.schoolID

When filtering the reporting data, select BETWEEN as the Operator for the posTxSE.txTimeStamp field between the first and last day of the reporting period.

Filter the data

ID	*Field	Operator	Value
1	posTxSE.personID		
2	posTxSE.studentNumber		
3	posTxSE.firstName		
4	posTxSE.lastName		
5	posTxSE.categoryName		
6	posTxSE.transactionID		
7	posTxSE.txTimeStamp	BETWEEN	DATE 06/01/2026 THROUGH DATE 06/30/2026
8	posTxSE.quantity		
9	posTxSE.amount		
10	posTxSE.description		
11	posTxSE.eligibilityCode		
12	posTxSE.purchasableID		
13	posTxSE.purchasableName		
14	posTxSE.stateCode		
15	posTxSE.schoolID		

Add