

INFORMATION SHEET



Guidance for At-risk funding 2022-23

72-5132. Same; definitions. As used in the Kansas school equity and enhancement act, K.S.A. 72-5131 et seq., and amendments thereto:

(c)(1) "At-risk student" means a student who is eligible for free meals under the national school lunch act, and who is enrolled in a school district that maintains an approved at-risk student assistance program.

The free meal application process provided by USDA will return this year. The forms will be required to be filled out by parents in order to be eligible for free meals served during the 2022-23 school year. Additional information is being distributed by the Child Nutrition and Wellness Team of KSDE. See the [Child Nutrition and Wellness](#) page for more information.

At-risk weighting is based on the number of students enrolled and attending on September 20, whose families meet income eligibility guidelines per KSA 72-5152.

72-5152. Same; adjustment of at-risk student enrollment. (a) If a student submits an application for free meals under the national school lunch act on or before the date on which the enrollment of the school district is calculated and it is later determined by the school district or the department of education that the student should not have been eligible for free meals, the school district or the department shall notify the state board of such determination. Except as provided in subsection (b), upon receipt of such notice, the state board shall recompute the adjusted enrollment of the school district and the general fund budget of the school district based on the adjusted enrollment of the school district excluding the at-risk student weighting and high-density at-risk student weighting, if any, assigned to such student.

(b) If a student becomes ineligible to receive free meals under the national school lunch act for failure to submit, in a timely manner, any documentation necessary for verification of eligibility as required by the national school lunch act, but subsequently submits such documentation, such student shall not be excluded from the calculation of the adjusted enrollment of the school district if the school district forwards a copy of such documentation to the state board no later than January 14 of the school year.

EDIT HEADER! TYPE DOCUMENT TYPE (FAQ, FACT SHEET, ETC.) HERE. TYPE DOCUMENT TITLE HERE!

For more information, contact:

Craig Neuenswander
Deputy Commissioner
(785)296-3871

Dale Brungardt, Director
School Finance
(785)296-3872



Kansas State Department of Education
900 S.W. Jackson Street, Suite 102
Topeka, Kansas 66612-1212
www.ksde.org

The Kansas State Department of Education does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability or age in its programs and activities and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and their designated youth groups. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies: KSDE General Counsel, Office of General Counsel, KSDE, Landon State Office Building, 900 S.W. Jackson, Suite 102, Topeka, KS 66612, (785) 296-3201.