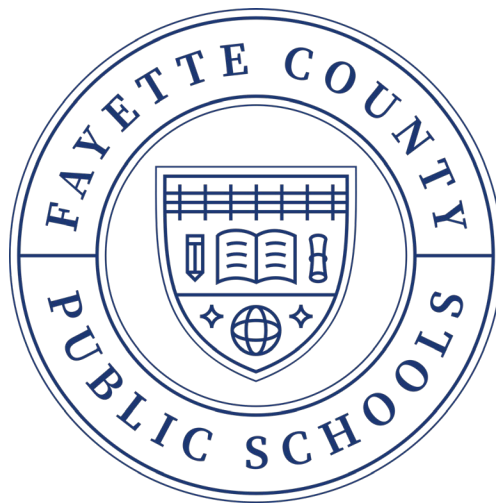




Child Nutrition Financial Update

February 27, 2025

BY THE
NUMBERS

67 Meal Sites

58 CEP + 9 Non-CEP

\$33.7M
BUDGET SY 25

448
STAFF

14,908
Breakfasts/Day
27,727
Lunches/Day

850
Dinners/Day



Strategic Priorities

Student Achievement

Improve student achievement through rigorous curriculum and instruction providing students with evidence-based educational experiences that not only engage but also excite, prepare, and support students.



Unity, Belonging, and Student Efficacy

Foster and instill a culture of unity, belonging, and student efficacy across the district and address opportunity gaps.



Highly Effective, Culturally Responsive Workforce

Hire, support, and retain a highly effective, culturally responsive and diverse workforce.



Outreach and Engagement

Effectively engage students, employees, families, and community members to improve opportunities and outcomes for all students.



Organizational Health and Effectiveness

Foster a culture of continuous improvement to maximize organizational effectiveness and efficiency, support the well-being of our team members, and provide formal recognition of their efforts.





BOARD POLICY 07.1

Food/School Nutrition Services

The Board shall provide a school nutrition program in compliance with applicable state and federal statutes and regulations. It is the intent of the Board that school nutrition services be a self-supporting program.

Fund 51 - Food Service Fund accounts for Food Service activity.





Community Eligibility Provision (CEP)

- The Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) is a non-pricing meal service option for schools and school districts in low-income areas. CEP allows the nation's highest poverty schools and districts to serve breakfast and lunch at no cost to all enrolled students without collecting household applications. Instead, schools that adopt CEP are reimbursed using a formula based on the percentage of students categorically eligible (Direct Certification/DC) for free meals based on their participation in other specific means-tested programs, such as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).
- Direct Certification at $\geq 40\%$ - Currently 58 sites



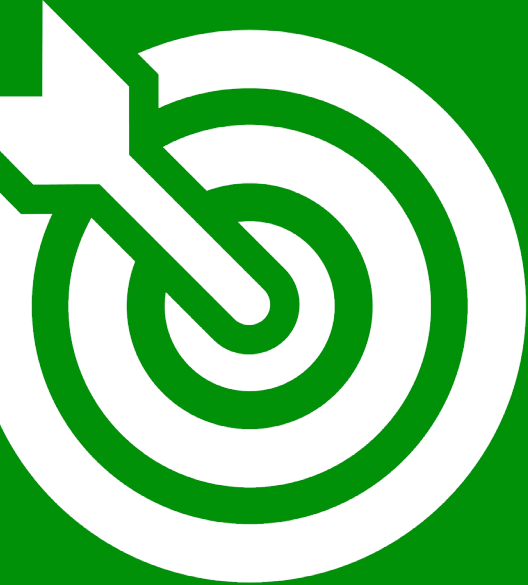
CEP 2025-26

- With the CEP four-year reimbursement cycle ending there is a decrease in poverty level and the following schools are not at the 40% Direct Certification threshold: Meadowthorpe Elementary, Sandersville Elementary, Garden Springs Elementary, Morton Middle, Paul Laurence Dunbar High, Ashland Elementary, Wellington Elementary, Glendover Elementary, Jessie Clark Middle, STEAM Academy, Lafayette High, Beaumont Middle, and Edythe J Hayes Middle.
- A general fund contribution of approximately \$2,941,000 would be required to keep these schools on CEP.

CEP Forecast



SY 25-26 174 School Days	CEP Start Yr	DC% ≤ 40%	Enrollment	Federal Reimbursement	General Fund Reimbursement
		Feb 1, 25	24/25	Estimated	Estimated
Meadowthorpe ES	15/16	39.34	516	\$247,141	\$167,380
Sandersville ES	22/23	38.99	754	\$403,755	\$273,235
Garden Springs ES	20/21	38.77	423	\$206,061	\$139,814
Morton MS	21/22	38.60	614	\$245,283	\$166,532
Paul L Dunbar HS	23/24	38.25	1,830	\$659,406	\$447,934
Ashland ES	19/20	37.31	327	\$154,757	\$104,898
Wellington ES	24/25	34.81	609	\$240,896	\$162,802
Glendover ES (15/16 CEP)*	19/20*	32.36	479	\$205,138	\$139,369
Jessie Clark MS	24/25	32.24	1,005	\$380,992	\$259,576
STEAM Academy/HS	24/25	31.24	429	\$157,769	\$106,896
Lafayette HS	24/25	30.72	2,337	\$716,768	\$487,384
Beaumont MS	24/25	29.51	742	\$270,513	\$184,146
Edythe J Hayes MS	24/25	28.69	1,126	\$443,451	\$301,034
*removed CEP 18/19			11,191	\$4,331,930	\$2,941,000

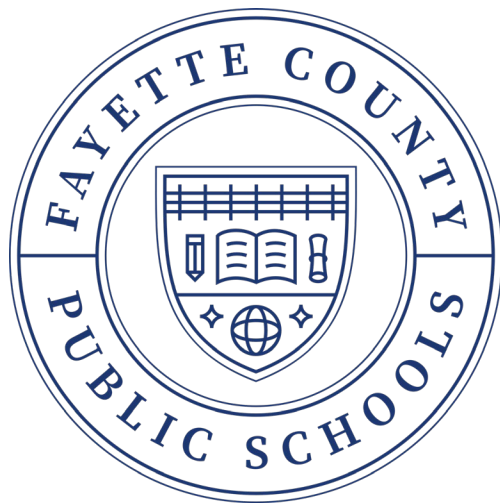


2025-26 Recommendations



- CEP Options A or B: - **\$2,941,000**
 - A. Remove 13 sites as CEP
 - 22 Non-CEP + 45 CEP = 67 sites
 - B. Fund 1 Assistance
 - 9 Non-CEP + 58 CEP = 67 sites
- Increase student/adult meal prices by \$0.50
 - a. projected revenue \$600,000
 - *information does not include the new middle school*

<u>BREAKFAST</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>NEW</u>
Paid (all grades)	\$2.00	\$0.50	\$2.50
Adults	\$3.50	\$0.50	\$4.00
<u>LUNCH</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>NEW</u>
Paid (Pre K-5)	\$2.75	\$0.50	\$3.25
Paid (6-12)	\$3.00	\$0.50	\$3.50
Adults	\$5.00	\$0.50	\$5.50



Thank you!