

Illinois State Board of Education Waiver Renewal Requests

Public Hearing

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1. Supplemental



CPS' current process for allocating SGSA funds is more equitable

- We use the most current and accurate counts of students eligible for free/reduced meals to ensure that SGSA funds are following the student.

CPS' current process for allocating SGSA funds is more inclusive

- New and expanding schools are not penalized because they do not have prior year counts.
- Under the procedure in administrative rules, new schools would not receive SGSA in its first year even if they have students qualifying for free/reduced meals.



- Section 34-21.3 of the Illinois School Code only allows for food services to be procured as a request for bid.
- The USDA federal regulations allow school districts to procure the expertise of a management or vended meal company using a request for bid or a request for proposal process.
- Industry trends and innovations (wellness, new products, and program delivery methods) can be encouraged and accommodated with a request for proposal.
- To allow the Board to issue a request for proposal for food service management or vended meals services as provided for in the USDA regulations.
- CPS saved over \$35,000,000 over the last three years due to this waiver.



