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Thirteen Idaho schools get USDA grant funds for kitchen equipment

(BOISE) – The Idaho State Department of Education has awarded \$132,068.72 in federal grant funding through its Child Nutrition Programs to help 13 schools across Idaho purchase new equipment for their National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs, Superintendent of Public Instruction Sherri Ybarra announced.

Idaho received the funding through the United States Department of Agriculture Equipment Assistance Grant. Individual grant awards will fund new equipment including freezers, a salad table and dishwashers.

The application process was competitive, with 26 School Food Authorities (SFAs) submitting grant applications totaling more than \$221,000 in equipment requests. Additional consideration was given to SFAs that had not received previous equipment grants and schools with a high percentage of students who are eligible for free and reduced-price meals. Other factors in the selection process included expanding meal participation, food safety, energy efficiency and improving the nutrition and quality of meals.

More information about [Child Nutrition Programs](#) and [SDE grant opportunities](#) is available on the State Department of Education website. Schools receiving 2018 grant awards include:

SFA	Site	Equipment	Grant Award
Heritage Academy	Heritage Academy	Salad Table	\$7,074.30
Cascade School District	Cascade Elementary School	Meat Slicer	\$3,553.00
Culdesac School District	Culdesac School	Dishwasher	\$7,944.70
Hansen School District	Hansen High School	Walk In Freezer/Cooler	\$32,007.44

West Jefferson School District	Terreton Elementary & Junior High School	Range	\$5,100.00
Snake River School District	Rockford Elementary School	Convection Oven	\$5,730.00
South Lemhi School District	South Lemhi School	Walk-In Freezer	\$17,490.00
Richfield School District	Richfield School	Electric Range	\$6,071.53
Kamiah School District	Kamiah Central Kitchen	Dishwasher	\$12,465.00
Middleton School District	Middleton Heights Elementary School	Dishwasher	\$16,983.00
Boundary County School District	Boundary County Middle School	Freezer	\$5,142.41
Wilder School District	Wilder School	Convection Steamer	\$7,505.48
Weiser School District	Park Intermediate School	Walk-In Freezer/Cooler	\$5,001.86 (partial award)

Grant awards are contingent upon available USDA funds.

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