

Alabama State Department of Education
Child Nutrition Programs
School Nutrition Program
Afterschool Activities Policy

School food authorities (SFAs) operating the Afterschool Snack Service provide snacks to participants enrolled in educational or enrichment activities after the regular school day in a structured and supervised environment. The snack must be consumed on-site.

1. Descriptions of activities are reviewed during the application process for new and renewing sponsors. Activities are also observed during administrative reviews. Examples of appropriate activities include afterschool care, homework assistance, tutoring, chess, choir, or drama.
2. At least one activity must be open to all students.
3. Athletic activities alone may not be used to establish eligibility for the Afterschool Snack Service. Students who participate in athletic activities may be served snacks.
4. Students are not required to participate in any of the available activities in order to receive a snack.

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APPENDIX: Links to Resources

7 CFR 210.2 “Afterschool care program”

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