CLAIMS FOR REIMBURSEMENT

Funding and Disbursement Services

There are two different types of payments a sponsor may receive.

1. **Advance Payments**—You may only request advance funds for claim months with ten or more serving days.

On the site Claim for Reimbursement, you will report an <u>estimated meal count</u> (<u>excluding seconds</u>) based on anticipated participation.

A. *Operating* Advance (maximum of two)

Will be paid the **lesser** of:

- i. Total operating reimbursement paid for the same calendar month of the preceding year OR
- ii. Fifty percent of the amount needed for meals if vended OR
- iii. Sixty-five percent of the amount needed for meals if self-prepared
- B. <u>Administrative Advance</u> (maximum of two)
 - i. If the sponsor qualifies for administrative advances, administrative advance funds would equal one-sixth of the approved Administrative Budget.
 - ii. All advance requests greater than \$40,000 must be approved by Amy Bianco. The sponsor must demonstrate administrative and management capability to justify the larger payment.
- 2. **Claim Payments**—Even if an advance claim is submitted for a month, you MUST submit a Claim for Reimbursement.
 - A. On the site Claim(s) for Reimbursement, you must report **actual** meals served.
 - B. <u>Operating and Administrative Reimbursement</u> = meals claimed x reimbursement rate.
 - C. Payments are calculated using year-to-date totals.

NOTE: If your advance payment (based on estimated meal counts) is greater than what your claim earns (based on actual meal counts) you <u>will</u> have to return the difference to our office.

SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM IMPORTANT CLAIM REMINDERS

- You must do a SITE claim for each individual site, for each month of operation, regardless of the number of serving days.
- You must submit a SPONSOR claim for each month after completion of the site claim(s). The payment process cannot begin until you submit the sponsor claim.
- Claims should be submitted as soon as possible after the end of the claiming month.
 We generally voucher weekly so the sooner you submit your claim, the sooner you will get paid.

ALL claims (original and upward revisions) must be submitted by sponsors within 60 calendar days of the end of the claiming month in order to be paid with program funds.

CLAIM DUE DATES

| Claim Month | <u>Due Date</u> | | |
|-------------|-----------------|--|--|
| May | July 30 | | |
| June | August 29 | | |
| July | September 29 | | |
| August | October 30 | | |
| September | November 29 | | |

For any claim or payment questions contact Funding and Disbursements at 217-782-5256

Financial Reimbursement Information System (FRIS) Inquiry Quick Help

How to Get There:

- From ISBE Home Page (<u>www.isbe.net</u>)
- Click FRIS Inquiry (see navigation links below State seal)

Instructions:

- Choose Project Year (current or prior year)
- Choose Search Method (RCDT Code or entity Name –
 see example at bottom of screen) (RCDT Code = Agreement Number)
- Enter RCDT Code (no dashes) or Entity Name in the Contains field (depending on Search Method chosen see example at bottom of screen)

Project Information:

Click on "Display Projects" to view all projects receiving funds for selected entity (NOTE: Source of Funds/Program Code for SFSP = 4225)

- From Search Results Screen: click on # column of project you wish to view more detailed information
- Project Summary Screen: most current information on file at the Illinois State Board of Education for the selected project
- Click for Details: to view more details (if applicable)

Payment Information:

- Choose:
 - Recipient: entity responsible for administrating project, or
 - Payee: entity receiving funds for distribution to participating entities/recipients
- Click on "Display Payments" to view entities receiving payments based on the information entered above
- Voucher Search Screen: enter EITHER: Voucher Number OR Date Range (see format)
 - Default sort order = by descending voucher date
 - Sort by Program Code = sort by Program Code in descending voucher date

order

- -Sort by Processed Date = sort by date processed by Comptroller in descending date order
- -Voucher List Screen: list of vouchers based on the information entered above
 - Click on Voucher Number you wish to view more detailed information
 - -Recipient/Payee Payment Screen: detailed payment information based on the information entered above (Date payments released from the Comptroller's Office included)
- Click on HELP link for more detailed instructions, field descriptors and instructions on the Comptroller's web site
- Click on Content Summary link for outline of all information included on this site
- Click on CONTACT US for comments/questions/issues regarding the content of FRIS Inquiry
- Information is updated daily and is view only

Link to State Comptroller's Web Site Instructions

Required: The Vendor Taxpayer Identification Number of the entity receiving the funds. This number may be the Federal Employees Identification Number (FEIN).

How to Get There:

- This link can be accessed through the ISBE FRIS Inquiry, Recipient-Voucher List Screen or the Project-Disbursement Detail Screen OR
- Directly from the Illinois State Comptroller Home Page (www.illinoiscomptroller.com)
- Click on Financial Inquiries right below the header and then on Vendor Payments

Vendor Login Screen:

- Enter Vendor TIN/FEIN (9 digit number) without dashes
- Click on OK
- Click on Payments (upper right corner of screen)

Selection Criteria:

Fiscal Year: Current State FY or Previous State FY
 Agency: 586 = Illinois State Board of Education

Sort Criteria:

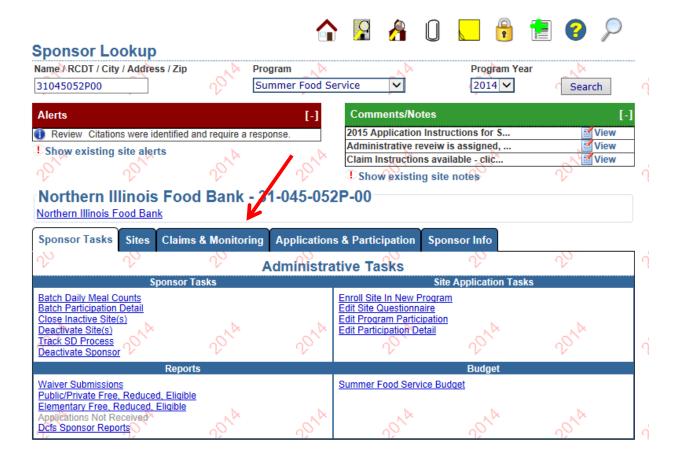
- Record Date in Descending order will reflect the most recent payments first
- Click on Find Warrants

Vendor Warrants Screen:

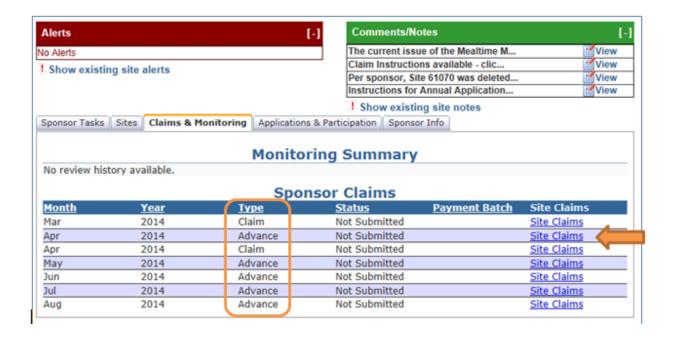
- The next screens reflect warrants and amounts paid by the Comptroller's Office.
- If information is not listed, the warrant has not been issued.
- A Warrant number that starts with 000 is EFT and the funds should be in your bank account within two days of the Record Date.
- Other Warrant numbers are actual checks that were issued
 - Status of P means the check has been cashed/paid

- Status of O means the check is outstanding/has not been issued by the comptroller's office yet.
- Last Action Date shows the date the check was cashed.

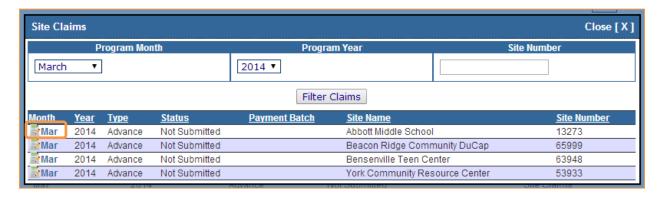
How to Submit a Claim in WINS



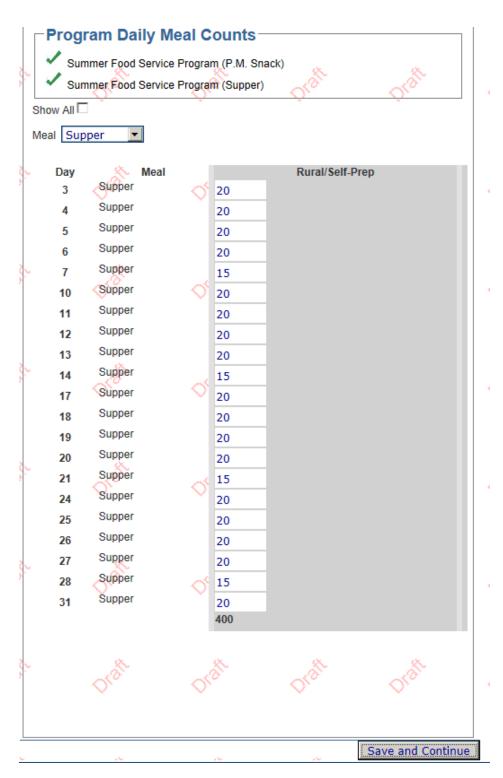
- Start from your home screen or 'dashboard.
- Click on the Claims & Monitoring Tab.



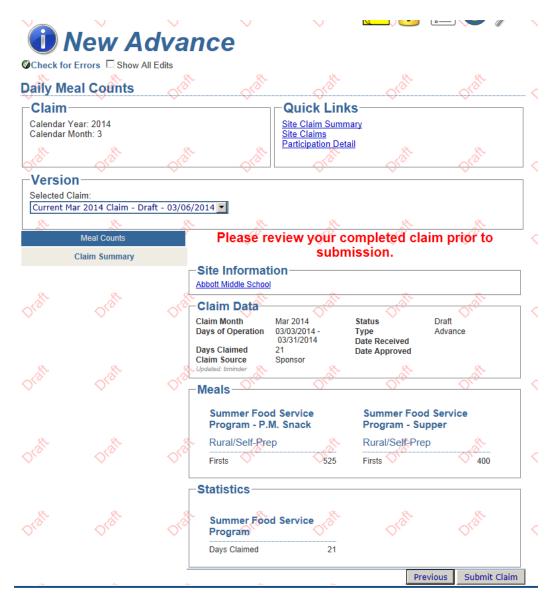
• Select which Claim or Advance you wish to work on by clicking on 'site claims' to the right of your selection.



 Select which site you wish to work on by clicking on the month to the left of your selection.

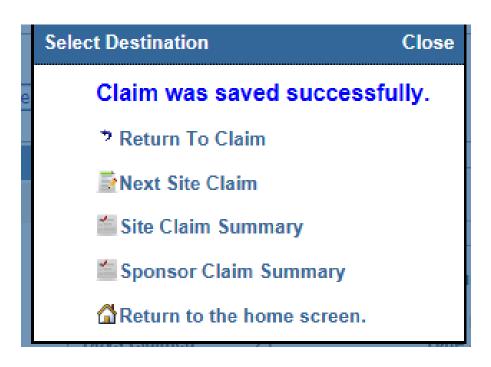


• Enter your daily meal counts. Click save and continue to save this page and enter additional meal counts or to get to the Site Claim Summary Page.

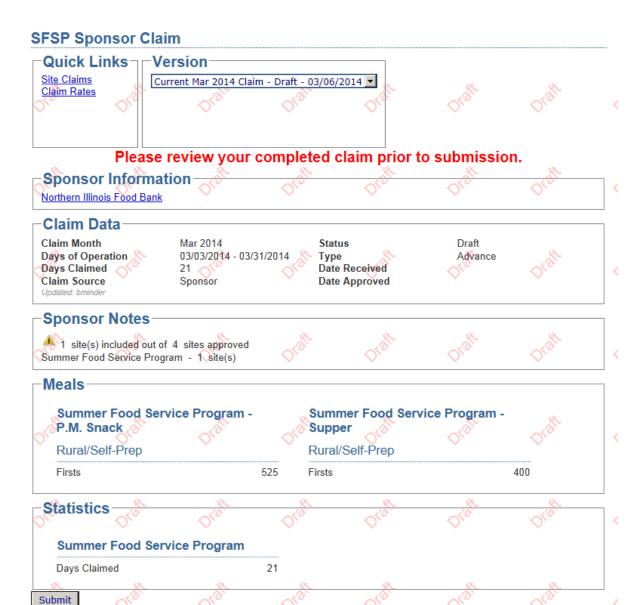


Review the monthly site totals and if correct click the Submit claim button.

If the claim passed all edit checks you will receive the following screen:



- Click on what you want to do next.
- If all sites are done, go to Sponsor Claim Summary.



Review data and Submit Sponsor claim.



SFSP Sponsor Claim

-Quick Links -

Site Claims Claim Rates Version

Mar 2014 Advance - Approved - 03/06/2014

Claim Analysis

| Payment Category | Claim Earned | Reimb Claimed YTD | Prior Paid YTD | Paid This Claim |
|------------------|--------------|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Administrative | 181.25 | 181.25 | 0.00 | 181.25 |
| Meal/Operational | 1,677.75 | 1,677.75 | 0.00 | 1,677.75 |

-Sponsor Information

Northern Illinois Food Bank

Claim Data

Claim Month Mar 2014 Status Approved Days of Operation 03/03/2014 - 03/31/2014 Type Advance Days Claimed **Date Received** 03/06/2014 Claim Source **Date Approved** 03/06/2014 Sponsor Updated: bminder

Sponsor Notes

▲ 1 site(s) included out of 4 sites approved Summer Food Service Program - 1 site(s)

Meals

Summer Food Service Program - Summer Food Service Program - Supper

Rural/Self-Prep Rural/Self-Prep

Firsts 525 Firsts 400

Statistics

Summer Food Service Program

Days Claimed 21

- Once Sponsor claim is Saved Successfully you can see your payment amounts.
- For a complete Claim Instruction Handbook click on the page inside WINS.

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