



PARAMOUNT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

GREAT THINGS ARE HAPPENING IN PARAMOUNT SCHOOLS



Student Nutrition Services Fiscal Update

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Program Overview

State of California

Universal Meal Provisions

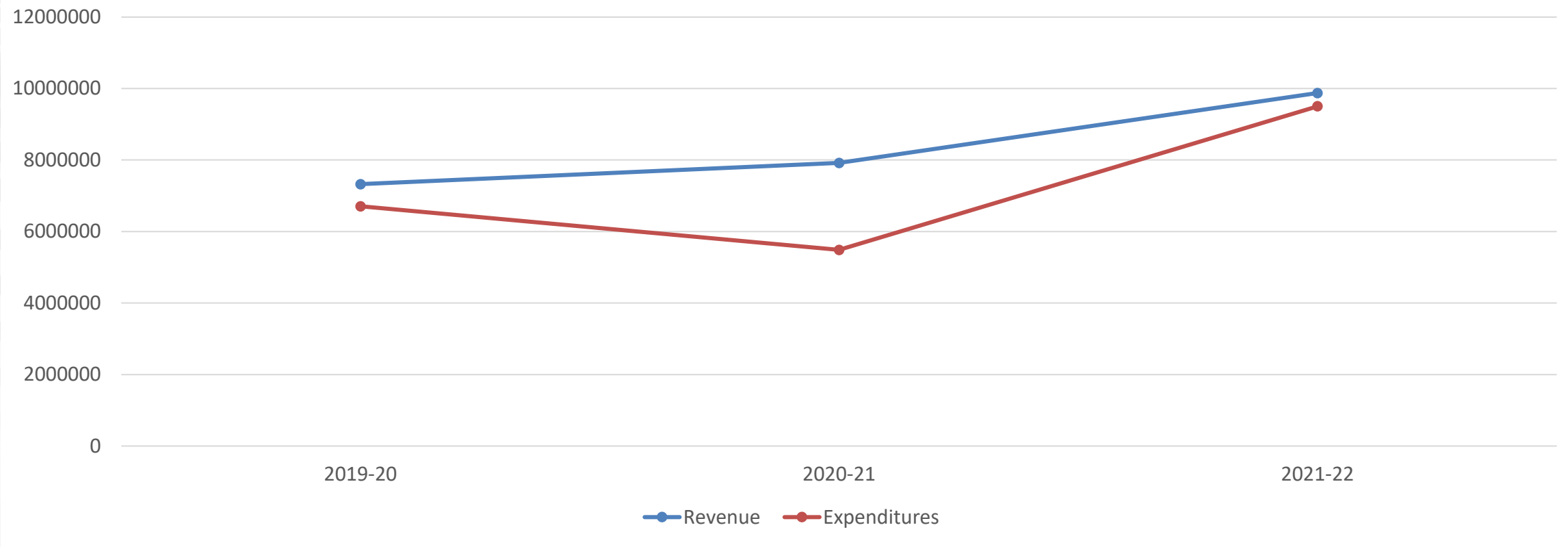
- **On or before June 30, 2022**, *EC 49564.3* requires LEAs with high poverty schools to adopt a universal meal service provision, such as the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) or Provision 2. The definition of a high poverty school is updated to mean 40 percent of enrolled students are directly certified, or identified as homeless, migrant, foster, or runaway (otherwise known as identified student population).

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- Adopted CEP for the Fiscal Year 2018-19 with the forward-thinking and expressed goal of providing free meals to all students regardless of income status.



Financials Overview





The Covid-19 Challenge

- Since the 2019-20 school year, the District has seen substantial price increases, especially on commodity items. There has been an 18% increase in chicken, 23% increase in beef, 120% increase in eggs, and a 19% increase in pizza. Other products such as fresh bakery items have risen 42% as well as milk prices by 16%. There has been a 75% increase in foam plates, 50% increase in foil, and a 25% increase in plastic utensils.
- These increases are combined with record-high fuel costs resulting in fuel surcharges on deliveries.
- While Covid-19 relief funding helped mitigate the expenditures, often the problem was sourcing the product.
- The department continued to provide meals for every student under strict USDA standards, often with product shortages, substitutions, and/or donations.



Active Seeking Out Grant Applications

| Title, Board Approved, Board # | Total Amount To Date |
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| CDE Equipment Assistance Grant, 11/12/19, 4.4 CDE School Breakfast and Summer Meal Programs Expansion Grant, 02/11/20, 7.21 CDE School Breakfast and Summer Meal Programs Expansion Grant, 04/13/22, 8.16 | \$207,682.00 Expansion Grant Pending |
| No Kid Hungry Summer Meal Grant, 03/09/20, 7.15 No Kid Hungry Back to School Nutrition Grant, 10/12/20, 8.18 No Kid Hungry Nutrition Hubs Grant, 12/14/20, 10.15 | \$140,000.00 |
| Genyouth Covid 19 Emergency School Meal Delivery Funds, 06/08/20, 7.18 Genyouth Covid 19 Emergency School Meal Delivery Funds, 12/14/20, 10.16 | \$19,032.00 |
| Albertson's Foundation – Childhood Hunger Grant, 07/13/20, 7.1 Albertson's Foundation – Nourishing Neighbors Grant, 11/09/20, 8.27 Albertson's Foundation – Nourishing Neighbors Grant, 05/10/21, 8.29 Albertson's Foundation – Nourishing Neighbors Grant, 04/13/22, 8.2 | \$46,000.00 2022 Grant Pending |
| <p style="text-align: right;">Total Received =</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">\$412,714.00</p> |



Sourcing Methods

ORDERING OPTIONS:

- **DIRECT DELIVERY:** USDA brown box items delivered directly from USDA to the State warehouse. Includes meat, dairy, eggs, grains, and fruits and vegetables. The State warehouses in turn will delivery items directly to the district's warehouse. Direct delivery consists of frozen items, canned, refrigerated and dry storage items. Many items are processed food items purchased directly from the manufacturer.
- **PROCESSING:** USDA foods that are diverted to a processor instead of the State warehouse. These are food items that are diverted either for packaging or processing of single items. Processed items include many of the items available for direct delivery. Examples of items diverted for processing: cheese and meat to make pizza, chicken to make chicken nuggets, canned fruit to make individual fruit cups, tomato sauce to make ketchup.
- **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, FRESH FRUIT & VEGETABLE PROGRAM (DOD FFAVORS):** Each year, the district receives entitlement dollars to participate in DOD FFAVORS. Districts may order items to be delivered weekly or as needed until their assigned entitlement has been spent. A specified produce vendor delivers those items directly to the warehouse.
- **STATE CO-OP:** Before each new school year, the SNS Department completes a pre-planner and processing survey allocating specific USDA Foods that are needed throughout the year. Districts can buy in bulk and accept a large direct shipment. The Department has more menu flexibility when buying commodities which allows staff to prepare a wider variety of recipes.

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The mission of the Paramount Unified School District is to ensure learning and success for each student by providing a quality education.