



Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)

July 2020

NEW

Brighton CACFP Meal Pattern Trainings

Michigan Department of Education (MDE) is excited to announce the online CACFP Meal Pattern training through Brighton is now ready!

Free on-line trainings on the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) Meal Pattern are now available! Enroll in the Michigan Department of Education's (MDE) new on-line trainings to increase your knowledge on the CACFP Meal Pattern.

- Brighton Online Training Lessons work best in Chrome.
- Training link will not work if your computer is connected to VPN
- Link to the training website will be on the CACFP website under the Training tab

Brighton Training Website Link:
www.misponsortraining.com

[CACFP Brighton Training Quick Start Guide](#)

Waivers Extended Until June 2021

USDA waivers for child nutrition programs have been extended through June 30, 2021 for the SBP, NSLP, and CACFP. These flexibilities allow for:

- **Meals that do not meet normal meal pattern requirements when necessary to keep kids fed.**
- **Meals to be served outside of group settings and outside of standard times to facilitate grab-and-go and other alternate service options.**
- **Parent/guardian pick-up of meals for students participating in distance learning**

[Learn More](#)

Fall Planning Support

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) Team and a group of food service directors are working on guidance for serving meals in the new school year. [Meal Serving Options](#), [Meal Eating Options](#), and [Resources](#) are now available. More documents will be coming.

Additional Resources

Building a Plan for re-opening: We appreciate the partnership with Hope Starts Here to connect you with their easy to use “Build A Plan” by clicking [HERE](#). Simple questions will assist you in creating your own custom re-opening plan.

Local Health

Departments are critical partners within your community. Please use this link [HERE](#) to find your county and the link to your local health department staff.

The supply of **Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)** has been a big discussion during the COVID-19 pandemic. [HERE](#) is a link with Michigan Economic Development Corporation and how to find suppliers that are working with our child care providers in Michigan. We have also added the [Michigan State Police Emergency Coordinator list](#) for each county. They are often able to assist you with finding PPE to purchase in your community.

We encourage you to contact your child care licensing consultant with additional questions or concerns. We have included the link to find your regional contacts for child care licensing [HERE](#).

Using Technology to Engage Families July 23, 2020 6:00pm-7:15pm

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Learn how to use technology to communicate and develop strong relationships in the digital age. In the past, family engagement was limited to conferences, phone calls, letters, printed newsletters, and e-mail. But now there are numerous options. In this course, we will explore several new technologies, case studies, and practical examples that can be used in your engagement strategy.

Registration is complimentary, but limited spots are available. Register below to reserve your spot today!

REGISTER NOW!

Michigan AEYC’s Virtual Learning Series provides professional development and training to support the early childhood workforce through rich content and meaningful connections. This complimentary series is presented via Zoom. Registration will open one week prior to each event.

For more information and a full schedule of trainings visit <https://www.miaeyc.org/professional-development/conferences-institutes/virtuallerningseries/>

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