

Michigan Department of Education
Child and Adult Care Food Program

Where Healthy Eating Becomes a Habit
Parent Information Sheet

This child care center is a participant in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP), a United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) program. The CACFP provides cash reimbursement to child care centers for nutritious meals and helps children develop healthy eating habits. The CACFP is administered by the Michigan Department of Education (MDE).

Through the CACFP you can be assured that your child is getting balanced, nutritious meals and developing healthy lifelong eating habits. Proper nutrition during the early years ensures fewer physical and educational problems later in life.

As a participant in the CACFP, your child care center receives reimbursement for serving nutritious meals and snacks. Meals and snacks must meet the USDA meal pattern requirements listed below.

Children less than one year old: Foods in the infant meal pattern vary according to the infant’s age. If your child is less than one year old, please request the infant meal pattern requirements from our center.

Breakfast	Lunch and Supper	Snack (serve 2 from the 5 groups below)
Milk Fruit and/or Vegetable Grain	Milk Meat or meat alternate Fruit Vegetable Grain	Milk Meat or meat alternate Fruit Vegetable Grain

MDE is required to verify the enrollment, attendance and meals/snacks typically consumed by children while they are in care. MDE staff may contact you regarding your child’s participation in our day care center.

If you have any questions about the Child and Adult Care Food Program, please contact:

Insert name of child care center OR Child and Adult Care Food Program
Insert address of child care center Michigan Department of Education
Insert phone number of childcare center P.O. Box 30008
Lansing, Michigan 48909
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