

Child and Adult Care Food Program January 2022



**The Michigan Department of Education (MDE)
Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)
welcomes you to a new year!**

LOOKING TO EXPAND?

Consider At-Risk Afterschool Programs

The At-Risk Afterschool meals component of the CACFP offers federal funding to afterschool programs that serve a meal or snack to children in low-income areas. Organizations may participate in the At-Risk Afterschool meals component of CACFP either as an independent afterschool program or through a sponsor. To be eligible, you must meet state and/or local licensing or health and safety standards, meet organizational and area eligibility requirements, and provide educational or enrichment activities that are open to all children in an organized, structured, and supervised environment.

**Contact the CACFP Office at
517-241-5353 or
MDE-CNAP-CACFP@michigan.gov
with any questions.**

Family Day Care Home Sponsor Expansion Opportunities in CACFP!

The MDE CACFP is looking for eligible organizations to provide oversight and guidance to family day care home providers by becoming a Family Day Care Home (FDCH) Sponsor. All family or group day care homes must come into the program under a sponsoring organization.

Financial assistance is available to a sponsoring organization for its administrative expenses associated with developing or expanding a food service program in family day care homes and initiating successful program operations.

National CACFP Week is March 13-19, 2022

CACFP Week is a national educational and information campaign sponsored annually by the National CACFP Sponsors Association designed to raise awareness of how the United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) CACFP works to combat hunger. The CACFP brings healthy foods to tables across the country for children in child care centers, homes, and afterschool, as well as for adults in day care.



CACFP Week is brought to you by the letters...

C

Community

The CACFP community works to ensure that all children have access to healthy foods. Share CACFP Week on social media and out in your community.

A

Awareness

Together we can raise awareness of how the CACFP works to combat hunger. Learn what you can do to promote the CACFP and advocate with a press release, a letter to congress, and a request for proclamation.

C

Children

Children receive healthy and nutritious meals through the CACFP. Educate children and parents about the CACFP with fun activities and communication tools.

F

Food Program

The CACFP helps children learn healthy eating habits. Find out why breakfast is the most important meal of the day and learn some tips for getting kids to try new foods.

P

Participate

Hundreds of thousands of people participate in the CACFP administering the program or caring for children and adults. Show your appreciation to all of those who work with CACFP every day.



About Michigan Farm to School

Farm to School centers around efforts to serve local foods in school and early care and education settings. Share ideas, tools and resources to support a range of efforts, from school garden programming to farmer visits and field trips.

Visit mifarmtoschool.msu.edu



More resources are available!

- [MI Farm to School](#)
- [MI Farm to Early Care - Education](#)
- [MI Farm to Institution Network](#)
- [Cultivate Michigan](#)



Child and Adult Care Food Program Training Worksheets Are Available in Print!

Five Team Nutrition training worksheets for the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) are available in print. Each worksheet is available in English and Spanish, with 25 worksheets per pack. State agencies, sponsoring organizations, and program operators who participate in one of USDA's child nutrition programs may order these worksheets by visiting the links below.

For bulk orders, email TeamNutrition@USDA.gov.

- [Crediting Single-Serving Packages of Grains in the CACFP](#)
- [Crediting Store-Bought Combination Baby Foods in the CACFP](#)
- [Determining Ounce Equivalents of Grains in CACFP Recipes](#)
- [Feeding Infants Using Ounce Equivalents for Grains in the CACFP](#)
- [Reducing the Risk of Choking in Young Children at Mealtimes](#)

To see Team Nutrition's collection of CACFP training worksheets, please visit: fns.usda.gov/tn/meal-pattern-training-worksheets-cacfp.

To see Team Nutrition's collection of CACFP Training Tools, please visit fns.usda.gov/tn/training-tools-cacfp.

For questions or more information, please contact TeamNutrition@USDA.gov.

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