Child and Adult Care Food Program

Program Information for Family Day Care Homes

If you are a licensed home childcare provider or a relative who cares for a low-income relative's children in your own home through Working Connections and preparing meals for children—this program is for you! Also known as **CACFP**, this program is a nutrition education and reimbursement program. By participating in the CACFP, you can receive reimbursement to assist with the cost of feeding children in your care.

Funded by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), this program is available at no cost to provider. <u>Sponsoring organizations</u> manage and assist participating providers in meeting the program requirements. Child Nutrition Services at the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) oversee the sponsoring organizations.

Good Nutrition Pays:

- Nutritious Meals: Children will benefit from eating nutritious meals while in your care. Parents are happy knowing their children are getting the right foods to learn and grow
- Help with menu planning: You will learn how to plan meals that follow a specific meal pattern for breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks.
- Cash reimbursement
- Technical Assistance and in-home training

Reimbursement Rates:

The rate of reimbursement for meals and snacks served in the family day care home depend on the area in which the home is located. Current reimbursement rates can be found on the <u>CACFP Fiscal and Claims web page</u>.

Program Requirements:

Every day you will:

- Serve high quality meals and snacks that meet the USDA meal pattern, for <u>infants</u> or <u>children</u>.
- Keep accurate records of meals and snacks you served, the children that you served and their in-andout times. Up to 2 meals and one snack per child per day can be claimed for reimbursement.

At the end of the month, submit your claim to your sponsoring agency and you will receive reimbursement based on the number of meals claimed.

To Apply:

Contact a sponsoring organization that serves your county for more information.

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