



Child & Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)

FAMILY DAY CARE HOME PROVIDERS



For more information contact:

**CHILD AND ADULT CARE
FOOD PROGRAM**

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This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

**HOW CAN YOU, AS A FAMILY DAY CARE HOME PROVIDER
PARTICIPATE IN CACFP?**

CACFP IS A FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAM DESIGNED TO OFFER AID TO HELP FAMILY DAY CARE HOMES (FDCH) TO PROVIDE NUTRITIOUS MEALS TO CHILDREN AGES 12 AND UNDER.

Good Eating Habits

Children form healthy eating habits in their early childhood years. The lessons they learn in childhood will last a lifetime.

Presenting children with a variety of nutritious foods can help them learn to make nutritionally sound food choices.

Family Day Care Homes

Participating in CACFP can support positive eating habits by:

Introducing children to new foods

Encouraging favorable attitudes toward food

Encouraging children to eat a variety of foods

Implementing family style meal service

Meals & Reimbursements

This program provides reimbursement for nutritious meals and snacks served to children (12 years of age or younger) and infants. Reimbursement is based on the income level of the local geographic area, child care provider, or the children in care.

Eligible homes may be reimbursed for up to two meals and one snack, or two snacks and one meal, for each enrolled child per day.

Reimbursement for meals served in day care homes is based upon eligibility for TIER I or lower TIER II rates and are adjusted yearly.

Eligibility

To qualify for the CACFP: Family day care homes must be state and locally licensed.

IN ADDITION:

Day Care Providers must sign an agreement with a Sponsoring Organization. Sponsors are responsible for recruiting, training, monitoring, and reimbursing day care providers. Contact the Idaho State Department of Education for Sponsoring Organization information. 208-332-6821

All meals and snacks must meet the requirements of the CACFP meal patterns for children and infants.

Participation

Day care homes interested in participating in the CACFP can contact the Idaho State Department of Education, Child Nutrition Programs. You can also visit <http://www.sde.idaho.gov/cnp/cacfp/> to view the Idaho CACFP Manual as well as the USDA Handbooks.

