

# Monthly Update

## Child and Adult Care Food Program



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### **FNS-101: Child and Adult Care Food Program**

A new fact sheet has been developed by USDA Food and Nutrition Service to provide basic information about the CACFP. Access this new resource at: <https://www.fns.usda.gov/fns-101-cacfp>

### **Updated Fluid Milk Substitution Criteria Chart**

KSDE has updated the fluid milk substitution criteria chart for Child Nutrition Programs. The required amount of nutrients per cup has not changed; however, the percent daily value on the nutrition facts label has changed for several of the nutrients as a result of recent updates to the daily values which have been updated based on new nutrition research by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). The updated fluid milk substitution criteria chart can be found at [www.kn-eat.org](http://www.kn-eat.org), CACFP, What's New and [www.kn-eat.org](http://www.kn-eat.org), SNP, Food Service Facts, Chapter 19 Forms

### **Service/Delivery Fees**

Delivery and service fees associated with grocery pick-up or delivery are considered allowable costs in Child Nutrition Programs if the cost is reasonable and justified. If Sponsors wish to expend program funds on service and/or delivery fees, Sponsors must include and justify the use of the service/delivery within the Sponsor's Procurement Plan. Justification examples could include savings in staff time, reduction in travel expenses, and/or reducing the transmission of COVID-19 during the public health emergency. Please note that tips are NOT considered to be an allowable use of Program Funds. If a Sponsor wishes to offer a tip, another source of funding must be utilized.

### **CACFP Information Collection Request – 60-day Federal Register Notice**

On March 25, 2021, USDA's Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) published a notice inviting comments on a proposed reinstatement of the information collection request (ICR) for the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP). The previously approved ICR expired on February 29, 2020. FNS published an initial 60-day notice to renew this collection on December 26, 2019 (84 FR 70930). In response to the comments received, FNS revised the burden estimates associated with the collection. State agencies and sponsoring organizations are encouraged to comment on the accuracy of these revised burden estimates under this reinstatement request. Your comments provide important feedback to FNS and allow for the successful operation and improvement of the CACFP. Comments can be submitted through [Regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov) and must be received on or before May 24, 2021. For more information, including instructions on how to submit comments, please visit: <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2021/03/25/2021-06177/agency-information-collection-activities-proposed-collection-comment-request-information-collection>

### **Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) Administrative Training for New Sponsors – April 29**

CACFP Sponsors interested in serving Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) meals are invited to attend the SFSP Administrative Training for New Sponsors on April 29 from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm.



The training will be offered via zoom and can be accessed using the following link <https://ksde.zoom.us/j/98320212518?pwd=eVRQM01qTnl3bIBKZE5UOTZXMFMwQT09>. Contact Jill Ladd by emailing [jladd@ksde.org](mailto:jladd@ksde.org) or calling 785-296-2276 to learn more about serving SFSP meals.

### **New Feature Alert for the Food Buying Guide for Child Nutrition Programs Mobile App!**

A new feature is available on the Food Buying Guide for Child Nutrition Programs (FBG) Mobile App. The Mobile App now allows users to customize the Serving Size per Meal Contribution for fruits and vegetables using a drop-down menu to auto-calculate the amount to purchase based on the selected serving size. This feature was recently released on the FBG Interactive Web-based Tool. Download the FREE Food Buying Guide Mobile App on the Apple Store or Google Play today!

### **Team Nutrition – New Webinar Recordings**

#### **CACFP Trainers' Circle: Training Program Operators to Use Grains Ounce Equivalent**

Held on February 10, 2021, this webinar highlighted training tools and strategies that can be used to train Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) operators on using grains ounce equivalents.

#### **CACFP operators are required to use ounce equivalents for grains by October 1, 2021.**

The closed-captioned recording of this webinar is now available at [fns.usda.gov/tn/training-program-operators-use-grains-ounce-equivalents](https://fns.usda.gov/tn/training-program-operators-use-grains-ounce-equivalents). For more information and recordings of other CACFP Trainers' Circle webinars, please visit [fns.usda.gov/tn/trainers-circle-cacfp-webinars](https://fns.usda.gov/tn/trainers-circle-cacfp-webinars).

#### **CACFP Halftime: Thirty on Thursdays “Using the Nutrition Facts Label in the CACFP”**

As part of the popular CACFP Halftime: Thirty on Thursdays training webinar series, Team Nutrition held a webinar on “Using the Nutrition Facts Label in the CACFP” on January 19, 2021. This webinar showed CACFP operators how to [use the Nutrition Facts label](#) to identify items that may be served as part of reimbursable meals and snacks. The closed-captioned recording of the English webinar is available at [fns.usda.gov/tn/using-nutrition-facts-label-cacfp-webinar](https://fns.usda.gov/tn/using-nutrition-facts-label-cacfp-webinar). The recording of the Spanish webinar will be available at a later date. Team Nutrition currently offers CACFP Halftime: Thirty on Thursday webinar recordings on 20 different topics. Many of the recordings are available in both English and Spanish. For more information, please visit [fns.usda.gov/tn/halftime-cacfp-thirty-thursdays-training-webinar-series](https://fns.usda.gov/tn/halftime-cacfp-thirty-thursdays-training-webinar-series).

### **Professional Development Update**

Professional development is offered through the KSDE Training Portal 24/7 and as scheduled live virtual events through Zoom. A full listing of live virtual events and links can be found on the CNW Calendar at [www.kn-eat.org](http://www.kn-eat.org), CNW Calendar. There is no preregistration for the live virtual classes through Zoom.

#### **Live virtual events scheduled for April include:**

- Managing Responses to Stressful Events on Thursday, April 1 from 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm <https://ksde.zoom.us/j/99456577695?pwd=K3JRKzVzRFpiOVM2eGQ2Q0o1bGRhUT09>
- CACFP Jump Start for Centers on Thursday, April 8 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm <https://ksde.zoom.us/j/95237321356?pwd=bHM1dm85bk1MUDNwMWJZRDIIFekRvdz09>
- Food Safety Basics on Wednesday, April 21 from 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm <https://ksde.zoom.us/j/94099394145?pwd=eE9aVzk4b1NpdGNwVnBWM2dqQzZFdz09>
- Building Partnerships on Thursday, April 22 from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm <https://ksde.zoom.us/j/99850636458?pwd=ZDBFY3dXeVh6SjdRcGtnWUowbWtKZz09>



**Online Professional Development Classes and Tutorials.** Over 30 classes and tutorials, including the 3-hour Food Safety Basics class, can be accessed free of charge 24/7 via the KSDE Training Portal. Create an account at <https://learning.ksde.org>. For detailed instructions on creating an account and accessing the training, go to [www.kn-eat.org](http://www.kn-eat.org), Training.

**New to the KSDE Training Portal this month:**

- **Professional Communication (6 hours)** – Participants will learn how to define their child nutrition program messages, identify different audiences, professionally deliver child nutrition program messages, and build on personal professional communication skills. Professional Communication is a requirement to obtain the Kansas Certificate in Child Nutrition Management.
- **CACFP Jump Start for Centers** – Required for all new Authorized Representatives of centers and recommended for new support staff who provide assistance to the Authorized Representative. This training includes two modules:
  - The Business of the CACFP (3 hours)
  - Meal Planning for the CACFP (3 hours)

**New No Kid Hungry Resource – Educational Content for Parents and Caregivers**

Cooking Matters is excited to share two new video series developed to help parents and caregivers in the kitchen! The [Kitchen Finds](#) series shows how to take common pantry ingredients and turn them into healthy, delicious meals. The [Meal Prep Made Easy](#) series demonstrates how to use common ingredients across meals to maximize time spent in the kitchen and feed a family for several days. Both series are the newest installment in a large bank of video resources on the [Cooking Matters YouTube channel](#). The [Cooking Matters Facebook](#) page runs weekly [Facebook Lives](#), now including new voices and perspectives from parents and expert guests. Head to the [Spanish Cooking Matters Facebook page](#) for content created specifically for Spanish speakers!

**2021 Virtual National CACFP Conference**

The National CACFP Sponsors Association (NCA) serves as a national platform that provides education, support, and resources to organizations who administer the CACFP. The NCA hosts an annual conference that is designed for CACFP sponsors, state agency staff, federal agency staff, Headstart, Afterschool/At-Risk, and Summer Feeding staff. This year's virtual conference will be held April 19-22. For information go to: <https://www.cacfp.org/national-conference/>.

**Child Start Camp GWC – Saturday, April 10**

Camp GWC, formerly Growing with Children, will be held virtually this year on April 10. To register go to: [Camp GWC Virtual - Child Start \(KS\)](#).

**Kansas Nutrition Council Conference**

The Kansas Nutrition Council Virtual Conference, *2021 Planting Ideas for the Future*, will be held April 22. Register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2021-kansas-nutrition-council-virtual-conference-registration-138336182245>.

**Personnel Update**

Alicia Newland has joined the CNW team as a Child Nutrition Consultant for Southeast Kansas. She was a Kitchen Manager and then Food Service Director for Nedesha over the past 10 years. Alicia has a Bachelor's degree in Organizational Management & Leadership from Friends University. Welcome Alicia!



### Springing Forward with CACFP Best Practices

Thanks to all who shared CACFP Week Celebration social media posts at #FuelingKSKids. It was so inspiring to see how Kansas Sponsors are teaching healthy habits and fueling Kansas kids through the CACFP! We encourage all Kansas CACFP Sponsors to check out the best practices and ideas and share your own using the hashtag #FuelingKSKids!

As always, if you have questions or if we can assist in any way, please call or email your area Child Nutrition Consultant or the Topeka office staff.

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