

The CACFP reimburses child care providers for serving nutritious meals to children in their care through age 12.



Being on the Food Program is a sign of professionalism and shows your concern for the nutritional health of children!

- Any licensed child care provider is eligible to participate
- NO cost to child-care provider
- Resource access



"RCDC's Food Program has been very beneficial to me. The trainings help me to learn more about nutrition and the needs of the children in my care. Also, the monthly check is a great "bonus" to what I am already doing."

*~ Southwest Kansas
Home-based Child Care Provider*



The Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) is a federal program administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, through Kansas Department of Education.

To find out more about the CACFP and how you can participate contact
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for Home Child Care Providers

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What is the Food Program?

The Child and Adult Care Food Program allows child care providers to receive reimbursement for meals and snacks served to children in their care. CACFP is designed to aid providers and parents financially while assuring good nutrition for children care.

CACFP is sponsored by Russell Child Development Center (RCDC) in the following Southwest Kansas counties: **Finney, Ford, Gray, Greeley, Hamilton, Haskell, Kearny, Lane, Scott, Seward, Wichita, Grant, Stanton, Morton and Stevens.**

Licensed home-based childcare providers in our service area participate under the sponsorship of RCDC.

A Win-Win Situation!

See how CACFP can make a difference in the quality of your program! As a home child care provider you will have access to resources to teach children about healthy eating that will last them a lifetime and that will help you put together great tasting, nutritious meals and snacks that children will enjoy.

- **Sample menus**
- **Monthly newsletter with activities and recipes**
- **Provider Notebook**
- **Monthly USDA reimbursement**
- **Online Claiming with KidKare/Minute Menu**
- **Direct Deposit**

What are the reimbursement rates?

The reimbursement rates are in a two-tier schedule. Tier 1 reimbursement is paid to providers whose homes are located in an elementary school district in which 50% or more of the children are eligible for reduced or free school lunch, or to providers whose household income is at that same level.

Current Tier 1 reimbursement rates:

Breakfast:	\$1.31
Lunch/Supper:	\$2.46
Snack	\$.73

Currently all providers in RCDC's service area are Tier 1 rate .

Getting Started

Most people are surprised at how easy it is to enroll in the Food Program. You must have received your temporary or permanent home child care license in order to start. Once you have received your license, we will schedule a time to come to provide training on the meal pattern requirements and to explain record-keeping and program regulations. There is also a provider agreement to sign.

There is no minimum number of children you must care for and they do not have to attend daily. At the end of the month you send us your paperwork and we send you a check!

- **6 hours of KDHE approved in-service training is provided**
- **Provider training sessions are credited toward licensing requirements**

Contact CACFP

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