Child and Adult Care Food Program Parent Letter – Non-Pricing Child Care Centers July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022

Dear Parent or Legal Guardian:

Our center is currently participating in the Child and Adult Care Food Program. This program reimburses the center for the partial cost of meals provided to children and allows the center to provide nutritious meals without increasing the center's fees to you. If your yearly income is equal to or below the amount listed for your family size on the chart below, your child is eligible for free or reduced-price meals. If the income is higher than the amount listed for your family size, you do not need to complete the income application.

Family Size	Yearly Income	Family Size	Yearly Income
1	\$23,828	5	\$57,424
2	\$32,227	6	\$65,823
3	\$40,626	7	\$74,222
4	\$49,025	8	\$82,621

For each additional family member, add \$8,399

To apply for free or reduced-price meal benefits for your children, you must complete the attached Income Eligibility Form (IEF). Your application for free or reduced-price meal benefits cannot be approved unless the attached application is completed according to the directions provided; however, you are not required to complete the IEF. Notify the center should the household income decrease and/or if the household size increases. A participant may be eligible for free or reduced-price meals. The application is valid until the last day of the month in which the form was approved/dated/signed one year earlier.

Sincerely,

Center Owner/Director

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- mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights 1400 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
- 2. fax: (202) 690-7442; or
- 3. email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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