

Monthly Update

Child and Adult Care Food Program



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As posted to www.kn-eat.org, Child and Adult Care Food Program, Updates from CNW

2020 Claim Deadlines for Center Sponsors

Center Claim Deadlines for 2020 have been posted at www.kn-eat.org, Guidance, CACFP Claim Information. KSDE generally vouchers weekly for center sponsors. **A pending claim will not be paid until it has been certified by checking the box that states all information is correct.** Claims are due 60 days after the end of the claim month, please be aware that 60 days does not always correlate with the last day of the month.

New "And Justice for All" Posters Now Available – Public Notification System

Sponsors must display the new "And Justice for All" poster in a prominent area where current and potential participants have access. The new "And Justice for All" posters are now available from Child Nutrition and Wellness. Email Sarah Bruschi at sbruschi@ksde.org with the number of posters needed for your sponsor. Posters will be mailed by the end of January.

Contracting for Meals in the CACFP Webinar

All CACFP Sponsors who contract for meals are encouraged to join KSDE for a webinar focused on procurement and monitoring of your contract. Sponsors have the responsibility to ensure that vendors are complying with the specifications given in the meal contract. This webinar will review the procurement process for sponsors and give information regarding how sponsors must monitor the contract. The webinar will be on January 23 at 2:00 pm via the following link: <https://meet.lync.com/ksde/lhodgson/QMG9PGP7>.

Training Opportunities

Jump Start for Centers is required for all new Authorized Representatives of centers and recommended for new support staff who provide assistance to the Authorized Representative. The classes are repeated through the year. The schedule and registration information are available at www.kn-eat.org, CACFP, Training. The next class will be on January 14, 2020 in Salina. This free training class includes sessions on CACFP Administrative Integrity and Meals Done Right.

Feeding Infants in the CACFP – CACFP Spring Training

Feeding Infants in the CACFP will be offered by KSDE in five regional locations. Participants will learn about the infant meal pattern, developmental readiness, hunger and fullness signs, handling and storing breastmilk and infant formula, offering solid foods, what is creditable in the infant meal pattern, and much more! All participants will leave with a hard copy of the Feeding Infants in the CACFP guide and receive 4 hours of KDHE training credit. Sponsors will receive a \$150 stipend for attending. Registration will be available soon at www.kn-eat.org, KN-CLAIM, Training Tab.

- February 20 – Topeka, Topeka & Shawnee County Public Library, 8:30 am – 12:30 pm
- March 18 – Girard, Southeast Kansas Education Service Center (Greenbush), 1– 5:00 pm
- March 26 – Wichita, Midway Southern Baptist Church, 12:30 pm – 4:30 pm
- April 15 – Overland Park, Shawnee Mission School District Center for Academic Learning, 8:00 am – 12:00 pm
- April 22 – Salina, USD 305 District Board Office, 12:30 pm – 4:30 pm



Tasty Takes on Children's Favorite

A culinary class for CACFP Sponsors will be available in Spring 2020 and some are scheduled on Saturdays due to your feedback. Tasty Takes on Children's Favorites demonstrates how to prepare children's favorite foods from scratch using healthy culinary techniques. This chef taught class consists of lecture, demonstration and participation in food preparation. Registration for this free class that does count toward KDHE licensing hours will be available soon at www.kn-eat.org, KN-CLAIM, Training Tab.

Online Professional Development Classes and Tutorials

CNW staff continue to develop new interactive online training classes and quick train tutorials that can be accessed free of charge 24/7 via the KSDE Training Portal. The professional development classes offer a certificate upon successful completion which can be printed. Quick train tutorials are 5 minutes or less with no quiz and no certificate. Create an account now at <https://learning.ksde.org> and see the entire list of classes and tutorials available. For detailed instructions on creating an account and accessing the training, go to www.kn-eat.org, CACFP, Training.

Webinar Recording Available: Exhibit A Grains Tool to the Rescue!

The Exhibit A Grains Tool allows you to search for your grain product (as listed on Exhibit A) and enter in the serving size from the product label. The tool then helps you determine: 1) ounce equivalent (oz eq) grains or grains/bread serving(s) for the grain product, and 2) amount to serve to provide your desired grains contribution. Also experience the Exhibit A Grains Tool on the Mobile App. Program operators can calculate the grain contributions on-the-go. The recording of the webinar is available at <https://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/exhibit-grains-tool-rescue>.

CACFP Trainers' Circle Webinar

To watch recordings of previous webinars, please visit: <https://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/trainers-circle-cacfp-webinar-series>.

Food Buying Guide for Child Nutrition Programs (FBG) Mobile App Update

The latest update has been released to the Food Buying Guide (FBG) Mobile App. Now registered users with an eAuthentication account are able to access any saved information in the FBG Web Tool, such as a completed Recipe Analysis Workbook (RAW) or Product Formulation Statement (PFS) on the Mobile App. Registered users can also create and save a "Favorite Foods List," a "Shopping List," and analyze a grain item on the Exhibit A Grains Tool on the Mobile App, and then access these items on other mobile devices as well as the FBG Web Tool. The FBG Mobile App is available on the Apple App Store and the Google Play Store (<https://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/food-buying-guide-mobile-app>). Check to ensure you have the most current version of the app on your mobile devices.

New Enhancements to the Food Buying Guide for Child Nutrition Programs (FBG) Interactive Web-based Tool

The FBG Interactive Web-based Tool now includes two interactive flow charts for increased ease of use. Program operators can now use the interactive flow chart to easily determine creditable grains/breads and whether a product meets the whole grain-rich criteria.

CACFP Week is Brought to You by the Letters...C-A-C-F-P!

CACFP Week is right around the corner, March 15-21, 2020. The [National CACFP Sponsors Association](#) has a number of free resources to help with planning.



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 conference will take place from April 14-16 in Atlanta, GA. [Click here for more information.](#)

Scholarships Available for the National Child Nutrition Conference

Apply today for the opportunity to join over 1,700 attendees at the premier training and networking event for the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP), Summer Food Service Program (SFSP), and Afterschool Meals community. The conference will be held April 14-16, 2020 at the Hyatt Regency Atlanta in Atlanta, GA. [Apply now.](#)

CORE: CACFP Financial Viability Course - Still Available

Do not let your Sponsoring Organizations miss out on this animated, self-paced, interactive and informative online course about **Financial Viability!** Sponsoring Organizations are invited to register for **FREE TODAY!** This course is designed specifically with Sponsoring Organizations in mind. To access the CORE-CACFP Financial Viability Online Course, Sponsoring Organizations must register at: <https://core-cacfponline.com>. **The enrollment key is: CORE (case sensitive).**

Farm to Plate Week and Kansas Day!

Are you planning a 2020 Farm to Plate Week- January 27-31? Look at your current menus and make a plan to substitute or incorporate local foods to celebrate Kansas' 159th birthday on January 29! Communicate with vendors and producers your interest in buying local products. Promote your program using social media, school newsletters, announcements, and resources. Contact our commodity partners for marketing material. Kansas has a rich agricultural history and child nutrition programs are encouraged help teach children where their food comes from. Contact Barb Depew, Farm to Plate Project Director, bdepew@ksde.org at 785-296-0062, if help is needed.

Child Nutrition & Wellness Kansans CAN 2019-20 Best Practice Awards

The purpose of the best practice awards program is to encourage and reward outstanding practices in Child Nutrition & Wellness Programs in Kansas that support the Kansas State Board of Education's Kansans CAN vision. There are many outstanding child nutrition programs in Kansas. We encourage you and your staff to make nominations for outstanding and/or innovative practices for recognition of your efforts. A nomination entry form is available at www.kn-eat.org, School Nutrition Programs, What's New. **Nominations are due to the Child Nutrition & Wellness office on or before June 30, 2020.** Winners will be notified by July 31 and presentations will be made at the August State Board of Education meeting.

A Summer Mind-Set

It is time to start thinking ahead and making plans for the 2020 Summer Food Service Program. The Summer Food Service program is NOT just a school nutrition program; it is a COMMUNITY Nutrition Program and we are looking forward to working with Sponsors and partners to increase access to healthy meals during the summer for Kansas Kids. NOW is a great time to begin making plans for summer 2020 and the Child Nutrition & Wellness team is here to help! Contact Sean Hoffman for assistance shoffman@ksde.org or 785-296-2276.



MyPlate Kitchen!

Has partially replaced "What's Cooking: USDA Mixing Bowl". Find it [here](#).

Hunger Action Summits

Join Kansas Appleseed to learn and gain tools for fighting hunger, building grassroots power, and having an impact in your community. Whether it's helping more kids participate in school meals and other Child Nutrition Programs, removing barriers to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), and more, your action can reduce hunger in Kansas. This event is free and open to the public, so invite your friends and colleagues. Lunch will be provided. See event details and RSVP to a summit near you below

- **Garden City** - Friday, January 17, 10 am-2 pm - RSVP [here](#).
Finney County Public Library, 605 E Walnut St, Garden City, KS 67846
- **Pittsburg** - Thursday, January 23, 10 am-2 pm - RSVP [here](#).
Pittsburg Public Library, 308 N Walnut, Pittsburg, KS 66762
- **Wichita** - Saturday, February 8, 10 am-2 pm - RSVP [here](#).
Rhatigan Student Center, Room 233, 1845 Fairmount St, Wichita, KS 67260

Help Shape the Future of Family Health in Kansas

Join the conversation and learn about how the health system for women, infants and children is working in the state. Share your own ideas about ways Kansas can better care for families through the Maternal Child Health program.

- January 14 – Salina Public Library, noon – 2 pm
- January 15 – Hays Public Library, 11:30 am - 1:30 pm
- January 21 – Lawrence Public Library, 11:30 am – 1:30 pm
- January 24 – Chanute Memorial Building, 11:30 am – 1:30 pm
- January 29 – Hutchinson Public Library, 11:30 am – 1:30 pm
- January 30 – Finney County Library (Garden City), 11:30 am – 1:30 pm

Please do not hesitate to contact the Child Nutrition & Wellness team at (785) 296-2276 if we can be of assistance with this process. We look forward to receiving your nominations and celebrating the Kansans CAN Best Practice Awards with you at the August 2020 State Board of Education Meeting.

Wishes for a happy and healthy 2020! Happy New Year!

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