

# Monthly Update

## Child & Adult Care Food Program



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### **CACFP Certification**

Program Certification will be available in KN-CLAIM on August 1, 2023. CACFP Certification Guides for Centers and Homes will be available at <https://cnw.ksde.org>, CACFP, Program Certification and Initiation.

### **CACFP Certification Webinar**

Make plans to participate in a CACFP Certification Webinar scheduled for Tuesday, August 1 at 1:30 pm via zoom. Join at: <https://ksde.zoom.us/j/81433563486?pwd=Z1ZUamhEbDJobGZUanh6bXpqR0huQT09> Passcode: 948325. Information will be provided about changes to the sponsor and site applications in KN-CLAIM and any new guidance for PY 2023-2024.

### **New USDA Guidance**

#### **Reimbursement Rates**

Reimbursement Rates for FY2023-2024 are posted at <https://cnw.ksde.org>, Key Links.

### **New Food Yields Added to the Food Buying Guide for Child Nutrition Programs Interactive Web-based Tool and FBG Mobile App!**

New yields are now available in the Food Buying Guide for Child Nutrition Programs Interactive Web-based (FBG) Tool and FBG Mobile App! New yield data is available for: individually quick-frozen red beans, frozen diced potatoes, frozen cubed sweet potatoes, brown lentils, and canned black turtle beans. Stay tuned for additional yield data releases coming soon. Explore the [Food Buying Guide for Child Nutrition Programs](#) today!

### **Have You Updated Sponsor Information in KN-CLAIM Lately?**

As August/September signal the start of the school year, it's a good time to update all information in KN-CLAIM:

- Inform the Topeka office of any change in the Authorized Representative by completing and mailing the form "*Appointment of a New Authorized Representative*".
- Update the sponsor application and site applications with the current Authorized Representative, board president, executive director and/or other contact persons if needed.
- If there are sites no longer needed or new sites need to be added, please contact your area Child Nutrition Consultant.
- Update the meal service times and meals offered if there have been or are going to be changes.
- Check to see if Food Safety Training is needed and update KN-CLAIM if a recent qualifying food safety class has been completed.
- Update Food Service Management Company Vendor Information when there is a change in contract provider.



### **WIC Program Information**

Sponsors must provide information on the importance and benefits of WIC to the parents/guardians of enrolled children. Sponsors can meet this requirement by posting a WIC program fact sheet in the facility, making WIC brochures available, posting a link to the WIC webpage on the sponsors website, Facebook page, newsletter, parent handbook, or providing to families upon initial enrollment. The WIC Program Fact Sheet can be accessed at <https://cnw.ksde.org>, scroll to the bottom of the webpage, click on the Kansas WIC logo.

### **Training Opportunities**

Many opportunities for learning are available for CACFP Sponsors. A full listing of live virtual events and links can be found on the CNW Calendar at <https://cnw.ksde.org>, Training, CNW Calendar. Sponsors can also access online training through the KSDE Training Portal, <https://learning.ksde.org/>.

### **Administrative Workshop**

Program Year 2023-24 CACFP Administrative Workshop will be offered via live webinar on Thursday, July 27 from 1:00 pm–4:00 pm. Sponsors unable to attend the live webinar training will have the opportunity to take the training through the KSDE Training Portal at a later date. At least one representative from each Sponsor must complete the CACFP Administrative Workshop training. Join at <https://ksde.zoom.us/j/87209249575?pwd=bXBrV0tiSzI2OXVHQUVpM0JKVys2Zz09>

A CACFP Administrative Workshop for Sponsors of Day Care Homes will be held on Friday, July 28 from 8:30 am–12:00 pm.

### **CACFP At-Risk Afterschool Meals Training**

As summer break wraps up and the school year begins CACFP At-Risk Afterschool Meals can again be served to children located in low-income locations. Sponsors and sites interested in being reimbursed for a supper and/or snack served after the school day can learn more about CACFP At-Risk Afterschool Meals on Thursday, August 3 from 1:00 pm–2:00 pm. Join at: <https://ksde.zoom.us/j/81547793233?pwd=V21jcEznQWdpbnpHVkZQWU13Q1doQT09>

### **CACFP Determining Eligibility and IEC Summary Training**

Join KSDE on Thursday, August 10 from 1:30 pm–3:30 pm to learn about determining eligibility in the CACFP and completing the Income Eligibility Category (IEC) Summary. Participating in this training can help prevent costly errors found during Administrative Reviews and audits. Join at: <https://ksde.zoom.us/j/85249029744?pwd=S3l2Snk5OHNFd3F3TnpCbEg3MTc4Zz09>

### **The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Mountain Plains Crunch Off – October 2023**

This year's registrants are able to crunch on not only apples, but ANY local crunchable produce! Kansas is participating in the Mountain Plains Crunch Off with seven other regional states. The Kansas goal is 50,000 crunches statewide. Our regional goal is 230,000 crunches. Celebrate with local produce any day September 29<sup>th</sup> – October 31<sup>st</sup> to participate in the crunch off. Watch for the registration link at <https://cnw.ksde.org>, Farm to School, What's New in early August. Make your event plans. Crunchable local produce can be found in many places - school/child care gardens, farmer's market, local distributors or <https://shopkansasfarms.com/map/>. If you have any questions, please contact Barb Depew, Farm to Plate Project Director at [bdepew@ksde.org](mailto:bdepew@ksde.org) or Eryn Davis, Farm to Plate Project Coordinator at [edavis@ksde.org](mailto:edavis@ksde.org).



### Harvest of the Month is coming!

Harvest of the Month is coming this fall. This program features Kansas grown foods with educational materials for both the cafeteria and the classroom. The program is set to kickoff in October (Farm to School Month) celebrating Kansas grown apples!

### Think Local for Back to School!

Celebrate Back to School with local foods! Melons are in season and are a great addition to program menus. Melons are loaded with nutrition, including vitamin C, vitamin A, potassium, folate, vitamin B6 and antioxidants. Melons can be a tasty addition to salads, yogurt parfaits, or smoothies. Pureed, frozen melon can serve as a healthy dessert. TIP: Bacteria can be transferred from the outside of the melon to the inside through the cutting process. Wash the outside of the melon prior to cutting to help eliminate bacteria transfer. Try these recipes from the National CACFP Sponsors Association in your August menu:

- [Watermelon Pop](#)
- [Fruit Salsa](#)

As always, if you have questions or need technical assistance, please contact your Child Nutrition Consultant or the Topeka office.

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