Scholarships Available for the 2018 Child Nutrition Conference!



The scholarship application for the 2018 National Child Nutrition Conference is open now through Wednesday January 24, 2018 for the event in April. Fifteen winners will receive complimentary conference registration, lodging and \$300 towards travel. The recipients will be selected by the conference committee and notified by February 9, 2018.

Scholarships are available in all the following categories:

- CACFP Sponsoring Agency
- Head Start, School District
- Food Bank
- Tribal Nation
- At-Risk/Afterschool
- Summer Food
- Child Care Center/Home Provider

For more information regarding the scholarship application and to apply, click here. For more information about the 2018 National Child Nutrition Conference, visit this link.

Thirty on Thursdays: USDA Webinar Series on Updated CACFP Meal Pattern Requirements

USDA's Team Nutrition initiative is pleased to present a new series of interactive, skills-building webinars on the updated Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) meal patterns. FNS Regional Offices, state agencies, sponsoring organizations, and CACFP program operators, including child care providers, are invited to participate.

The webinar series, entitled CACFP Halftime: Thirty on Thursdays, will take place on the third Thursday of each month and will be offered in both English and Spanish. The English webinar will be held from 2:00-2:30pm ET, and the Spanish webinar will be held from 3:00-3:30pm ET. The webinars will be recorded and made available at a later date on the Team Nutrition website.

Future CACFP Halftime webinars will focus on other popular topics that include:

- Choose Yogurts That Are Lower in Added Sugars
- · Serving Milk in the CACFP
- Menu Planning for the CACFP
- Identify Foods That Are Whole Grain-Rich
- Grain-Based Desserts in the CACFP
- How to Serve Meat and Meat Alternates Instead of Grains at Breakfast
- Offer Versus Serve in the CACFP
- Recipe Development and Crediting
- Meal Pattern for 13-18 Year Old Age Group
- Feeding Infants in the CACFP

Please send questions about the CACFP Halftime Webinar Series to TeamNutrition@fns.usda.gov.





Accurately Reporting Outside School Hours Claim Data

If your site(s) operate Outside School Hours childcare facilities, wNutrition Services would like to remind you of the appropriate way to submit claims for these site types.

When submitting data for Outside School Hours sites, you must separate the data from traditional childcare sites, if the Outside School Hours program is separate from your traditional childcare operation. Please ensure that you are entering Outside School Hours data when you are submitting your claims for <u>all</u> claiming periods.

See the screenshot below for an example:

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If you have questions regarding these rules, please contact your Application Specialist.

Recent CACFP Policy Guidance and Memoranda

Nutrition Services released new policy guidance for Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) institutions. Below is a listing of the guidance. All CACFP policies and policy memoranda information is available on DECAL's website here and here and here.

- DECAL Policy Memorandum: Feeding Infants and Meal Pattern Requirements in the CACFP; Questions and Answers
- <u>DECAL Policy Memorandum: Grain Requirements in the CACFP; Questions</u> and Answers

For questions regarding policy guidance and memoranda, contact Sonja Adams, Policy Administrator, at Sonja.Adams@decal.ga.gov.



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Nutrition Ed Nook The Value of a Paper Plate!



This month's buzz is dedicated to physical activity for children in early care and education settings. All children from birth to six years should have two to three opportunities a day for active outdoor play, weather permitting. They should engage in two or more structured or teacher led activities per day such as games that involve active movement whether it is indoors or outdoors. Opportunities to continually develop age appropriate gross motor and movement skills are also recommended.

Using common resources around the center can be inexpensive and a creative way to get children moving in a structured physical activity. VOLIA! The paper plate is a common household item to get your children outdoors and moving. Nurture children's creativity by allowing them to decorate plates with pictures colors and words before using them in their outdoor activities.

CRUSING ACTIVITY! Pretend the paper plate is a steering wheel, and children drive around an outdoor area to develop cardiorespiratory endurance. Use a stop/go sign made from another plate to practice stopping and going on cue. Add music for more fun. Children can stop, go and change speeds according to the music.

Cheap, fun, and an awesome way to get children outside to play!

Click <u>here</u> for more paper plate physical activity ideas!