CACFP AFTERSCHOOL AT RISK PROGRAM

A Guide to Participating in the Child and Adult Care Food Program
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Mission Statement

➢ The Mission of the United States Department of Agriculture’s (USDA) Food and Consumer Services (FCS) is to alleviate hunger and to safeguard the health and nutritional well being of the Nation through the administration of nutrition education and domestic food assistance programs. One such program is the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP).
Expansion of Afterschool Meals for At Risk Children

* Signed into law by President Obama December 13, 2010.

* Expands CACFP afterschool meals for at risk children to all states. The At Risk afterschool program can provide a snack and meal.

* Previously, 13 States and DC were eligible to serve meals.
Afterschool At Risk Criteria

- Provide children with regularly scheduled activities in an organized, structured and supervised environment;

- Includes educational or enrichment activities; and

- Is located in a geographical area served by a school in which 50 percent or more of the children enrolled are eligible for free or reduced price meals.
Effective October 1, 2010

• Eligible institutions may claim reimbursement once agreement is in place.

• Institutions are reimbursed at the applicable free rate for all snacks or meals served.

• Retroactive to Oct. 1, 2010

Meal Service

-- One meal and one snack per child per day may be served:

-- After the school day or on weekends and vacations throughout the regular school year
Must be organized primarily to provide services for children after school and on weekends, holiday, or school vacation (spring break) during the school year.

- You cannot participate during summer vacation under CACFP. But, you can participate in the Summer Food Service Program in the summer.

Exceptions: An At-risk afterschool care center may participate during the summer if it is located in the attendance area of a school operating on a year-round calendar.
Frequently Asked Questions…
Are there any afterschool care programs that may not be approved?

Answer: Yes. Organized athletic programs engaged in interscholastic or community level competitive sports only.

Are programs that operate during the summer vacation eligible for Summer Feeding Service Program?

Answer: Yes. Organizations that wish to operate programs during summer when school is not in session may receive reimbursement for meals and snacks through the Summer Food Service Program.
Regular Day Care Centers can not close their centers to operate under the Summer Food Service Program.

Note: You would need to contact the Summer Food Service Program for program requirements and approval.

If you elect to participate in the Summer Food Service Program your CACFP Specialist needs to be notified.
Are afterschool snack reimbursements restricted to children ages 13 – 18?

Answer: No. Reimbursement may be claimed for snacks served to all school age children through the age of 18 in eligible afterschool care programs. Reimbursement may also be claimed for those children who turn age 19 during the school year.

What are the monitoring requirements for sponsors receiving reimbursement of snacks in afterschool care programs?

Answer: In CACFP, sponsors of sites participating as afterschool care centers must review their sites at least three times each year. At least one of these reviews must be made during each site’s first four weeks of Program operations, and not more than three months may elapse between reviews.
Are for-profit centers eligible to receive reimbursement for Afterschool At-Risk meals through CACFP?

**Answer:** Yes

Just what are the benefits of this Program to the community?

**Answer:**

a). Help reduce hunger
b). Help keep safe and give them somewhere to go
c). Supports working families
d). Counter obesity
e). Help kids learn and stay active
CLAIMING DURING THE REGULAR SCHOOL YEAR

The At Risk Afterschool Programs participating in the Healthy Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 are eligible to claim only one (1) snack and/or one meal (1) per child during the regular school year.

Meals

Any supper and/or snack may be served on weekends and vacations during the regular school year. During the regular school year (week days) snack and supper can be provided.
When school is in session, the meal must be served after the child’s school day.

On weekends, holidays, vacations during the school year, there is not a certain time the meals must be served.

Afterschool meals may not be claimed during summer vacation, unless an at risk afterschool care center is located in the attendance area of a school operating on a year-round calendar.
Recordkeeping

At-Risk Afterschool Programs must maintain:

• Daily attendance rosters, sign-in sheets, or other daily attendance

• Records on the number of snacks and/or meals prepared or delivered for each meal service,

• The number of snacks and/or meals served to participating children for each meal service, and

• Menus for each snack and meal service

• Documentation of the amounts served.
Questions?

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