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## Sample Forms

### Time Distribution Report

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Resources – 9
Total Food Service Hours___________ + Total Non-Food Service Hours __________ = Total Hours Worked ________

I certify that all information is true and correct.

__________________________________________________________________________          __________
Signature – Employee                           Date

Approval:

__________________________________________________________________________          __________
Signature – Supervisor                                                                          Date

Form Revised October 2017
11141.1 Instructions – Time Distribution Report

Employees that do not spend 100% of their time on CACFP non-profit food service functions must document the distribution of time between CACFP functions and non-CACFP functions.

**PURPOSE**

To document the amount of time spent performing Food Service and Non-Food Services tasks for each day of the month. This information is used to establish the portion of costs that may be claimed as Food Service labor.

**PROCEDURE**

**When to Prepare**

All full-time and part-time employees whose compensation in whole or in part is paid with Food Service funds must complete this report. The information must account for the total activity for which each employee is compensated. The reports must reflect an after-the-fact determination of the actual activity of each employee. A separate report is required for each employee.

**Number of Copies**

Complete one original for each employee for each month.

**Transmittal**

Keep the completed and signed form in your files.

**Form Retention**

Keep the Time Distribution Report for three years from the end of the contract period. Exception: If audit findings, claims, or litigation have not been resolved by the end of the retention period, all forms and records must be retained until all issues are resolved.

**DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS**

**Employee Name** – Enter the name of the employee whose time distribution is being recorded.

**Position** – Enter the title of the position for this employee.

**Normal Work Hours** – Enter the normal start and end time for this employee.

**Month/Year** – Enter the month and the year covered by this time distribution report.

**Day** – No entry is required. This column indicates that day of the month.

**Work Hours** – The employee enters the start and end time for each workday. More than one time may be entered if the employee has a break in work hours other than normal lunch and break times.

**Food Service Administration Tasks and Food Service Operations Tasks** – The employee enters the amount of time spent performing Food Service tasks in the column that best describes the nature of the activity. Time must be reported in 15 minute intervals. Employees should round up or down to the nearest half-hour. This should reflect an after-the-fact determination of the actual time spent in each activity.

**Non Food Service** – The employee enters the amount of time spent performing tasks that ARE NOT related to the administration or operation of the Food Service. Time must be reported in 15 minute intervals. Time should be rounded up or down to the nearest half-hour. This should reflect an after-the-fact determination of the actual time spent in each activity.

**Total Hours** – The employee enters the total number of hours worked that day. It should agree with the total of the hours entered under the task columns.

**Monthly Total** – Enter the total time spent performing the task identified in each column.

**Total Food Service Hours** – Enter the total of columns A, B, C, D, E, F, G, and H.

**Total Non-Food Service** – Enter the total time noted in column I.

**Total Hours Worked** – Enter the total hours worked during the month. This entry should agree with the total of column J.

**Signature and Date – Employee** – The employee must sign and date the document to certify that all information is true and correct.

**Signature and Date – Supervisor** – The employee’s supervisor must sign and date the document to show approval of the form.
11142 Statement of Child’s Enrollment Examples

11142.1 Even Start Family Literacy Program

Example:

Statement of Child’s Enrollment in the Even Start Family Literacy Program

This is to verify that ______________________________ is currently
(nickname of child)
enrolled as a participant in the Even Start Family Literacy Program and that the child has not yet entered kindergarten.

__________________________________
Name of Even Start Program

__________________________________  ______________
Signature of Even Start Program Director or Official    Date
11142.2    Head Start Program

Example:

Statement of Child’s Enrollment in the Head Start Program

This is to verify that ______________________________ is currently
(name of child)
enrolled as a participant in the Head Start Program provided by
____________________________.
(Name of Head Start Program)

___________________________________________  ________________
Signature of Head Start Program Director or Official  Date
11142.3 Early Head Start Program

Example:

Statement of Child’s Enrollment in the Early Head Start Program

This is to verify that ______________________________ is currently (name of child) enrolled as a participant in the Early Head Start Program provided by _______________________________.

(Name of Early Head Start Program)

________________________________________   ________________
Signature of Early Head Start Program Director or Official         Date
Child Care Search Result Details

Operation Details
You may click on the question mark image (?) to view the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) page.

Operation Number: 883665
Operation Type: Licensed Child-Care Home
Operation/Caregiver Name: Happy Times Home Child Care
Location Address: 1234 Sunny Hill
Sunshine, TX 77595
Mailing Address:
Phone Number: 512-867-5309
County: TRAVIS
Website Address: merryhappy@sunny.com
Email Address: Merry Happy
Administrator/Director Name: Full Permit
Type of Issuance: 10/1/2006
Issuance Date: No
Conditions on Permit: ?
Accepts Child-Care Subsidies: ?
Hours of Operation: 06:30 AM-06:00 PM
Days of Operation: Monday - Friday
Total Capacity: 12
Licensed to Serve Ages: Infant, Toddler, Pre-Kindergarten, School
Total Capacity: 12
Number Of Admin Penalties: 0
Corrective Action: ?
Adverse Action: No
Temporarily Closed: No

http://www.dfps.state.tx.us/ChildCare/Search_Texas_Child_Care/ppFacilityDetails.asp?pt...

6/9/2017
1160 Verifying Provider’s Income

11160.1 Via IRS Form 1040

In the CACFP for Day Care Homes, all providers’ households will include at least one self-employed person - the provider. Because of difficulties that may exist in verifying income for self-employed persons, Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Form 1040 may be a good source for verifying a provider's household income.

When Is It Appropriate/Not Appropriate To Use IRS Form 1040? — IRS Form 1040 is an excellent tool for sponsors to use in verifying the income of any of the provider’s household members who are self-employed. Because providers are self-employed, these individuals will lack the normal documentation of earnings (such as wage stubs or other records of pay) that are readily available to most wage earners. Although the use of the prior year’s tax form to verify self-employment income does not provide information which is quite as current as a biweekly pay stub for a wage earner, it often represents a reasonable estimate of a day care provider’s current income.

In some cases, however, a provider's household income may have changed significantly between the end of a tax year and the time when the provider applies for Tier I status on the basis of their household income. In such circumstances, it may be necessary for a sponsor to utilize sources other than, or in addition to, Form 1040 to verify current household income.

If, for example, there were two income earners in a household, Form 1040 would not be useful as the sole source for verification if either person’s income had changed substantially. Other examples of such circumstances could include:

Change in Household Composition - The household’s composition has changed since the end of the prior tax year, due to a spouse’s death or a change in marital status. In this case, Form 1040 might still be an accurate representation of the remaining spouse’s income, but the other spouse’s income from the prior tax year would have to be excluded. In calculating and verifying current household income in such instances, please remember that the loss of some type of income may be at least partially replaced by other sources of income (e.g., separation or death will cause the loss of spousal income, but may be at least partially offset by other sources of income, such as child support, alimony, or survivor’s benefits).

Change in Household Income - Household income has changed markedly due to one member’s loss or gain of regular employment. (Here, too, it is important to remember that Form 1040 may still serve as verification of income for another household member whose circumstances may not have changed, and that at least some portion of lost income may be offset by welfare benefits, unemployment compensation, or the like.)
**Change in Provider’s Income** - The provider’s own income has changed as a result of gaining or losing children in day care. In this situation (where the sponsor should already be aware of this change as a result of changes to the provider’s enrollment and meal claims), a reasonable attempt should be made to use Form 1040 (and attached forms showing business expenses) as a basis for calculating the provider’s new income for verification purposes.

**Change in Provider’s Income, cont.** - For example, the current income of a provider whose prior year earnings were based on providing care for two children for the entire year might reasonably be estimated to have doubled if the provider added two day care children on January 1st. However, sponsoring organizations are not expected to sort through boxes of receipts or to retain the services of tax consultants for the purpose of determining the provider’s current household income. In some cases, such as when the provider has added several day care children with variable hours of care, it may be advisable for the sponsor to require the provider to fill out an estimate of his/her current year income and expenses on Schedule C of Form 1040 (“Profit or Loss from Business”) or some similar statement of earnings and expenses.

**Unemployment** - A new day care home provider who was either unemployed or employed in different pursuits in the prior year. In this case, IRS Form 1040 would not serve as a useful tool for verifying provider income (though it might, in some circumstances, suffice to verify other household members’ income).

Finally, when using Form 1040 for verification purposes, sponsoring organizations should take care to ensure that the entire household’s income is reflected on the prior year’s Form 1040. If, for example, the provider has used filing status “3” (Married, filing Separately), the sponsor would also have to review Form 1040s for other income holders in the household.

**How to Use IRS Form 1040 to Verify a Provider’s Household Income**

The IRS and the CACFP define income differently; therefore, there is not a single line on Form 1040 that adequately captures “household income” for CACFP purposes. Although losses from self-employment, farming, other businesses, etc, and deductions from IRAs, pensions, and Social Security distributions are allowed for IRS purposes, they are not allowed for the CACFP. Business losses cannot be deducted when determining household income. For CACFP purposes, the income of a household member reporting a loss must be treated as "zero income." Example: A provider’s spouse reports earnings of $30,000 and the self-employed provider reports a business loss of $5,000 (-$5,000) on Form 1040. Although IRS would allow the provider’s business loss to be deducted from the spouses’ income to determine their total income ($30,000 - $5,000 = $25,000 total income), the CACFP does not allow the provider’s business loss to be deducted from the spouses’ income. The CACFP considers the provider's income to be "0" not "-$5,000" therefore, the household income for CACFP purposes is $30,000, not $25,000.
If you use Form 1040 to verify a provider's household income, you must always look at lines 7-22 of Form 1040 and:

- Treat all negative numbers reported on lines 12, 13, 14, and 18 as "zero income," NOT as losses.
- Use the income reported on lines 15a, 16a, and 20a, NOT the adjusted income reported on lines 15b, 16b, and 20b.
- Calculate the total household income, by adding lines 7-11, 17, 19, and 21, any positive numbers (gains) reported on lines 12, 13, 14, and 18, and the distributions reported on lines 15a, 16a, and 20a.

**Record Retention**

You must retain copies of IRS forms and any other information you use to verify a provider's household income for 3 years from the end of the program year.
## WORKSHEET TO DETERMINE CURRENT MONTHLY INCOME

*(without a tax return)*

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### CHILD AND ADULT CARE FOOD PROGRAM

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### GRAND TOTAL OF PROVIDER INCOME

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### Last Month’s Business Expenses of Provider

*(You must attach itemized receipts for any expense you wish deducted)*

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### GRAND TOTAL OF ALL BUSINESS EXPENSES

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*“provider only”*
11200 Training

Training is an organized, instructional activity designed to develop the skills and knowledge necessary for CEs to understand and comply with Program requirements and to improve the nutrition of the children and adults participating in the USDA nutrition programs they offer.

The F&N Education Unit conducts both nutrition and Program training.

11210 Training Registration

Information on training sessions, for both general nutrition education and program-specific courses, is available at the TDA web site at http://www.squaremeals.org and click on “F&N Resources” and then select training.

Online trainings are available on a variety of topics and can be accessed at any time. Any mandatory trainings will produce a notice of training completion after the participant successfully completes the course. Optional trainings do not produce such a notice but can be documented, as necessary, to meet training requirements.

Training events are scheduled throughout the state each year, typically hosted by the Education Service Centers. Although TDA and USDA have not established an annual nutrition training requirement, TDA may implement such requirements in the future.
11220 Sample Training Documentation

This is a sample of a form the F&N Education Unit uses to sign in attendees at a training event, to confirm that a registered participant attended and completed the training.

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### Training Registration and Activity Report
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Child and Adult Care Food Program – Day Care Homes Handbook*
11230  USDA Team Nutrition Materials

TDA wants to ensure that all CEs and day care homes participating in the CACFP have copies of all the Team Nutrition technical assistance and support materials available to them. These items include:

Team Nutrition Technical Assistance and Support Materials

- The *Food Buying Guide for Child Nutrition Programs*, which provides important yield information necessary to ensure CEs and sites are meeting the meal pattern requirements for compliance with the CACFP. To view and/or print a copy of the *Food Buying Guide for Child Nutrition Programs*, go to the TDA website at [http://www.squaremeals.org](http://www.squaremeals.org) click on “F&N Resources” and then select tools and links.
- *Grow it, try it, like it!*, which contains garden themed education kit with hands on planting activities.

Team Nutrition Posters

The following posters, as well as others, can be ordered from Team Nutrition:

- *MyPlate*
- *MyPlate for Kids: Make Half your Plate Fruits and Vegetables*
- *Eat Smart to Play Hard*

To order Team Nutrition materials, visit the Team Nutrition website at:


11240  Institute of Child Nutrition (ICN) Resources and Training

The Institute of Child Nutrition (ICN) provides online CACFP resources and training. Visit their website at: [http://www.nfsmi.org/](http://www.nfsmi.org/).

11300  Other Resources & Additional Information

11310  Other Child Nutrition Publications

The TDA website at [http://www.squaremeals.org](http://www.squaremeals.org) offers a large number of posters, publications, menu planners, videos, and contests for kids, information for parents, educational materials for child nutrition professionals and links to other nutrition-oriented sites. All publications are available for free download, or can be ordered through the site at no charge, while supplies last.
11320  Imported Plasticware Safety

Any supplier with an office or address in the United States must abide by Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations. While many manufacturers use labor and products from all over the world, they still have to follow FDA rules regarding the chemical composition of the final product.

The FDA also states that imported plasticware that does not contain bright colors or is overly soft or flexible provides little risk of migration of chemicals into food. They further noted that food should not be heated or microwaved in imported plasticware unless the plasticware is specifically made for microwave use.

11400  Menu Planning

11410  Meal Planning

Below are resources to assist day care homes in planning healthy snacks and incorporating fruits and vegetables into their menus.

http://teamnutrition.usda.gov/

http://www.health.gov/dietaryguidelines/

http://www.whatscooking.fns.usda.gov/

11410.1  USDA, Agricultural Research Service (ARS) National Nutrient Database for Standard Reference

Using the online USDA, ARS National Nutrient Database for Standard Reference to convert Nutrient Values per Portion Size of Breakfast Cereals

1. Go online to the ARS National Nutrient Database for Standard Reference at:
   http://www.nal.usda.gov/fnic/foodcomp/search/

2. Using the search function, type in the key word “cereals” to pull up all of the cereal selections or enter in a specific cereal you are looking for then click “submit”.

3. Choose one cereal by clicking on the button to the left of the product you wish to select (the button will be filled in to show that you have made a selection). Only one selection is permitted. If you want data for a ready-to-cook cereal, make sure you select the cereal option described as dry, e.g.; cereals, oats, dry. Click on “submit” which is located at the bottom of the product list.
4. Select the quantities and units you want data for and click submit (one or more selections are permitted):
   a. **Ready-to-eat cereals**

   You will need to select both 1 oz and ¾ cup measures to determine which serving size weighs less. (if volume data is not available, use the manual conversion method shown in attachments B and C.)

   i. **Review nutrient data for one ounce (28.35 grams) of cereal**: Select 100 grams as the description, Change 1.00 (100 grams) to 0.2835 (100 grams), and

   ii. **Review the nutrient data for ¾ cup (0.75 cup) of cereal**: Select the description measured in cups, The volume unit may be different depending on the cereal, If the unit is 1.00 (.75 cup), keep as 1.00 (.75 cup), If the unit is 1.00 (1 cup), change to 0.75 (1 cup), If the unit is 1.00 (.5 cup), change to 1.5 (.5 cup) If the unit is 1.00 (? cup), you will need to determine what number or fraction ¾ cup is of the unit provided in parentheses and change 1.00 to the number or fraction required to obtain ¾ cup

   iii. **Click “submit”**

   b. **Ready-to-cook cereals, dry**

   i. **Review the nutrient data for 25 grams of dry cereal**: Select 100 grams as the description, Change 1.00 (100 grams) to 0.25 (100 grams), Make sure this option is selected.

   ii. **Click “submit”**

5. Compare the nutrient profile provided for the cereal to the FNS Nutrient Criteria for Breakfast Cereals.

   a. **Ready-to-eat cereals**:

   The nutrient profile will show the amounts for 28.35 grams (1 ounce) and for ¾ cup. The gram weight for ¾ cup will appear in the heading. Since cereals are credited 1 ounce or ¾ cup whichever amount weighs less, choose the column having the lowest gram weight and use that column of nutrients to compare to the FNS Nutrient Criteria for Breakfast Cereals. To be creditable, the cereal must meet or exceed the minimum criteria for all five of the required nutrients.
b. **Ready-to-Cook cereals, dry:**

Since the portion size for ready-to-cook cereals is 25 grams dry, all cooked cereals will be based on 25 grams dry, regardless of the amount of cooked cereal served in the meal or how much liquid is added to cook the cereal. Compare the nutrient values to the FNS Nutrient Criteria for Breakfast Cereals. To be creditable, the cereal must meet or exceed the minimum criteria for all five of the required nutrients.

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6. Print the documentation and keep on file.

**11410.2 Manual Conversion for Nutrients per Portion of a Ready-to-Eat Breakfast Cereal**

**Manual Conversion for Nutrients per Portion of a Ready-to-Eat Breakfast Cereal**

**Ready-to-Eat Cereals:** Cereal portion size from the FNS Nutrient Criteria for Breakfast Cereals = 1.0 ounce (28.35 grams) or the weight of ¾ cup – whichever amount weighs less;

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<th>Brand Name</th>
<th>Cereal Name</th>
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1. The portion size of the ready-to-eat cereal on Nutrition Facts Label = _______ cup(s) _______ grams

2. Determine the weight of ¾ cup of the cereal:
   
   0.75 cup divided by _______ cup(s) of cereal from Nutrition Facts Label = _______ factor
   
   _______ factor multiplied by _______ grams/portion from Nutrition Facts Label = _______ grams per ¾ cup cereal

3. Which weighs less, One Ounce (28.35 grams) or _______ grams per ¾ cup cereal?
   
   The amount that weighs less = _______ grams; the nutrients in this amount of cereal will be used to compare to the FNS Criteria for Breakfast Cereals.

4. Determine the conversion factor based on the amount of ready-to-eat cereal that weighs less (Do not round up):
   
   _______ grams (amount that weighs less) divided by _______ grams (from Nutrition Facts Label) = _______ conversion factor for nutrients
5. Calculate the nutrients from the Nutrition Facts Label to the nutrients in the amount that weighs less by multiplying by the conversion factor for nutrients:

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<th>A. Nutrient</th>
<th>B. % DV from Nutrition Facts Label</th>
<th>C. Conversion Factor for Nutrients</th>
<th>D. Nutrients per Amount that Weighs less</th>
<th>E. FNS Nutrient Criteria For Breakfast Cereals</th>
<th>F. Is the Amount in Column D Equal to or Greater than the Amount in Column E? Yes or No</th>
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6. ______ All of the answers in Column F are “yes,” the cereal is creditable using this option
       ______ One or more of the answers in Column F are “no,” the cereal is not creditable using this option

(Keep in mind that cereals meeting the requirements are allowed in the Grains/Breads Instruction or FBG flowchart are creditable even if they do not meet the FNS Nutrient Criteria for Breakfast Cereals.)

Manual Conversion for Nutrients per Portion of a Ready-to-Eat Breakfast Cereal - EXAMPLE

Ready-to-Eat Cereals: Cereal portion size from the FNS Nutrient Criteria for Breakfast Cereals = 1.0 ounce (28.35 grams) or the weight of ¾ cup – whichever amount weighs less;

Brand Name General Mills Cereal Name Wheaties

1. The portion size of the ready-to-eat cereal on Nutrition Facts Label = ___1___ cup(s) ___30___ grams

2. Determine the weight of ¾ cup of the cereal:
   0.75 cup divided by ___1___ cup(s) of cereal from Nutrition Facts Label = __0.75__ factor
   __0.75__ factor multiplied by ___30___ grams/portion from Nutrition Facts Label = ___22.5___ grams per ¾ cup cereal
3. Which weighs less, One Ounce (28.35 grams) or 22.5 grams per ¾ cup cereal?
The amount that weighs less = 22.5 grams; the nutrients in this amount of cereal will be used to compare to the FNS Criteria for Breakfast Cereals.

4. Determine the conversion factor based on the amount of ready-to-eat cereal that weighs less (Do not round up): 22.5 grams (amount that weighs less) divided by 30 grams (from Nutrition Facts Label) = 0.75 conversion factor for nutrients

5. Calculate the nutrients from the Nutrition Facts Label to the nutrients in the amount that weighs less by multiplying by the conversion factor for nutrients:

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6. _____ All of the answers in Column F are “yes,” the cereal is creditable using this option

_____ One or more of the answers in Column F are “no,” the cereal is not creditable using this option

(Keep in mind that cereals meeting the requirements are allowed in the Grains/Breads Instruction or FBG flowchart are creditable even if they do not meet the FNS Nutrient Criteria for Breakfast Cereals.)
11410.3 Manual Conversion for Nutrients per Portion of a Ready-to-Cook Breakfast Cereal

Manual Conversion for Nutrients per Portion of a Ready-to-Cook Breakfast Cereal

Ready-to-Cook Cereals: Cereal portion size from the FNS Nutrient Criteria for Breakfast Cereals = 25.0 grams ready-to-cook dry cereal

Brand Name ___________________________ Cereal Name ___________________________

1. The portion size of the ready-to-cook dry cereal on Nutrition Facts Label = _______ cup(s) _______ grams

2. Determine the conversion factor for nutrients (Do not round up): 25 grams divided by _______ grams (from Nutrition Facts Label) = _______ conversion factor for nutrients

3. Calculate the nutrients from the Nutrition Facts Label to the nutrients in 25 grams of ready-to-cook dry cereal multiplying by the conversion factor for nutrients:

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<th>D. Nutrients per 25 grams Ready-to-Cook Dry Cereal</th>
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(Keep in mind that cereals meeting the requirements are allowed in the Grains/Breads Instruction or FBG flowchart are creditable even if they do not meet the FNS Nutrient Criteria for Breakfast Cereals.)
Manual Conversion for Nutrients per Portion of a Ready-to-Cook Breakfast Cereal - Example

**Ready-to-Cook Cereals:** *Cereal portion size from the FNS Nutrient Criteria for Breakfast Cereals = 25.0 grams ready-to-cook dry cereal*

**Brand Name** __Quaker__  **Cereal Name** __Instant Grits, Real Cheddar Cheese Flavor__

1. The portion size of the ready-to-cook dry cereal on Nutrition Facts Label = __1 packet__ cup(s) __28__ grams

2. Determine the conversion factor for nutrients (Do not round up): __25 grams divided by __28__ grams (from Nutrition Facts Label) = __0.89__ conversion factor for nutrients

3. Calculate the nutrients from the Nutrition Facts Label to the nutrients in 25 grams of ready-to-cook dry cereal multiplying by the conversion factor for nutrients:

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11420 Child Care Recipes

The USDA website provides child care recipes that meet program requirements for CACFP meal patterns when prepared and served as indicated. These recipes can be a useful resource when planning healthy and nutritious meals for the children you serve, while offering a variety of foods to keep children interested. CEs and sites should always ensure they are using the most updated recipes provided by USDA.

The recipes can be accessed on the Institute of Child Nutrition website at:

http://www.nfsmi.org

Select Child and Adult Care Food Program, and then select Recipes – USDA Recipes for Child Care

11430 Calculating Percentage of Calories from Fat

Example 1:

1 cup frozen cut green beans plus 1 pat butter contains 4 grams of fat. Total calories: 75

To calculate the percent of calories from fat in this food:

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\frac{\# \text{ grams of fat} \times \text{Calories/gram of fat}}{\text{Total Calories}} = \text{percent calories from fat}
\]

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\frac{4 \times 9}{75} = 48 \text{ percent calories from fat}
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Example 2:

1 cup low fat (2 percent) cottage cheese contains 4 grams of fat. Total calories: 205

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\frac{4 \times 9}{205} = 18 \text{ percent calories from fat}
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Example 3:

1 cupcake contains 4 grams of fat. Total calories: 120

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\frac{4 \times 9}{120} = 30 \text{ percent calories from fat}
\]

From this analysis, it would seem that Example 3 (a cupcake) would be a better choice than Example 1 (green beans). This is due to the low calorie content of the green beans and the higher calorie content of the cupcake. All three foods contribute the same amount of fat (4 grams) to a meal. They differ only in the amount of protein and carbohydrate and, therefore, in the calories contained.
11500  USDA Child Nutrition (CN) Labels

The USDA, Child Nutrition (CN) Labeling Program provides food manufacturers the option to include a standardized food crediting statement on their product label. CN Labels must be authorized by USDA, FNS prior to use and manufacturers must have quality control procedures and inspection oversight that meet the FNS requirements.

USDA has made lists available of authorized CN labels issued to manufacturers since January 2005, on the FNS CN Labeling Program website.

The web address for the FNS CN Labeling Program is:

http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/cnlabeling/authorized.htm

The website provides links to manufacturers and products that have met the Quality Control Program requirements for the CN Labeling Program, which includes the United States Department of Commerce’s (USDC) seafood inspection program and the Food Safety and Inspection Service inspection directory for meat, poultry and eggs. The lists are updated monthly.

For additional information on the CN Labeling Program and how it can be used in meeting meal pattern requirements, see Appendix C of your Food Buying Guide for Child Nutrition Programs, also available online at

Sample Provider Serious Deficiency Letters

Notice of Serious Deficiency

Prototype Letter: Notice of Serious Deficiency

[Note: this letter must be sent by certified mail/return receipt and by regular mail.]

Dear [Provider]:

This letter concerns the [brief description of the basis for the serious deficiency determination – review, audit, etc. and date] of your operation of the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP).

SERIOUS DEFICIENCY DETERMINATION

Based on the [review/audit/etc.], we have determined that you are seriously deficient in your operation of the CACFP. If you do not fully and permanently correct all of the serious deficiencies and submit documentation of the corrective action by the due date, we will:

- Propose to terminate your agreement to participate in the CACFP for cause, and
- Propose to disqualify you from future CACFP participation.

If you voluntarily terminate your agreement after receiving this letter, we will formally terminate your agreement, disqualify you and place your name on the National Disqualified List (NDL) without further opportunity for corrective action.

While on the NDL, you will not be able to participate in the CACFP as a day care home provider. In addition, you will not be able to serve as a principal in, or perform any key CACFP functions for, any CACFP institution or site. You will remain on the NDL until such time as the Texas Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition in consultation with the United States Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service determines that the serious deficiencies have been corrected or until 7 years after your disqualification.

However, if any debt relating to the serious deficiencies has not been repaid, you will remain on the NDL until the debt has been repaid.

SERIOUS DEFICIENCIES AND REQUIRED CORRECTIVE ACTION

The following paragraph(s) detail each serious deficiency and the corrective action required.
[Insert discussion of serious deficiencies and required corrective action, including disallowances/repayment of funds if applicable.]

You must provide documentation of the required corrective action for each of the serious deficiencies cited in this letter. The documentation must be received (not just postmarked) by [corrective action deadline; may establish different deadlines for different serious deficiencies, but no more than 30 days].

If we do not receive the documentation of your corrective action by the due date, or if we determine that the actions taken do not fully and permanently correct all of the serious deficiencies, we will propose to terminate your CACFP agreement for cause and will propose to disqualify you. However if we receive your documentation timely and it demonstrates full and permanent corrective action we will temporarily defer the serious deficiency determination and not terminate your agreement of disqualify you from participation in the CACFP.

You may not appeal the serious deficiency determination [If there are disallowances, the provider may appeal those, and you must provide appeal rights for that; however the provider may not appeal the serious deficiency determination.]. However, if we propose to terminate your agreement for cause or propose to disqualify you, you will be able to appeal those actions and you will be advised of your appeal rights and the appeal procedures at that time.

If you have any questions please contact [enter contact information here].

Sincerely,

Sponsor Employee Name & Title

cc: F&N Community Operations field office
Prototype Letter: Notice of Proposed Termination and Proposed Disqualification

[NOTE: this letter must be sent by certified mail/return receipt and regular mail.]

Dear [Provider]:

On [date of Serious Deficiency Notice] you were notified that you were determined to be seriously deficient in your operation of the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) and of the required corrective actions and due date for the corrective actions.

We received the documentation detailing the actions you have taken to correct these serious deficiencies on [date]. [Insert if applicable: “We conducted a follow-up review on [date] to verify the adequacy of the corrective actions.” or “We did not receive the documentation required to demonstrate that the serious deficiencies were corrected.”]

Based on our review of the documentation [insert if applicable: “and the follow-up review”], we have determined that you have not fully and permanently corrected the serious deficiencies that were cited in the Serious Deficiency Notice. [Do not include this paragraph and the paragraph below if the Provider failed to provide any corrective action.]

The following paragraphs detail each serious deficiency and its status based on our review of the corrective action documentation [insert if applicable: “and the [date] follow-up review”]. [Insert discussion of each serious deficiency and the reasons why corrective action was inadequate (the corrective action may be adequate for some items and not for others; make sure you specify the status of the corrective action for each serious deficiency).

PROPOSED TERMINATION AND PROPOSED DISQUALIFICATION

As a result, we are proposing to:

• Terminate your agreement to participate in the CACFP for cause effective [date], and

• Disqualify you from future CACFP participation effective [date].

[The effective date for the termination/disqualification must be no earlier than 30 days from the date of this letter.]
You may continue to participate in the CACFP until [termination/disqualification effective date] or, if you appeal the proposed actions, until the hearing official issues a decision on the appeal. We will pay any valid claims for reimbursement submitted by you for this period. You must submit the claims by the normal deadline.

If you voluntarily terminate your agreement after receiving this letter, we will formally terminate your participation and disqualify you and place your name on the National Disqualified List (NDL) without opportunity for appeal.

While on the NDL, you will not be able to participate in the CACFP as a day care home provider. In addition, you will not be able to serve as a principal in, or perform any key CACFP functions for, any CACFP institution or site. You will remain on the NDL until such time as the Texas Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition in consultation with the United States Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service determines that the serious deficiencies have been corrected or until 7 years after your disqualification. However, if any debt relating to the serious deficiencies has not been repaid, you will remain on the list until the debt has been repaid. [Insert if applicable: You owe a debt in the amount of {enter dollar amount}.]

APPEAL OF PROPOSED TERMINATION AND PROPOSED DISQUALIFICATIONS

You may appeal the proposed termination proposed disqualification. A copy of the appeal procedures is enclosed. (Or you can include the appeal procedures here in the letter)

If you submit a timely request for appeal the proposed actions will not take effect until the hearing official issues a decision. If you do not make a timely request for an appeal, your agreement will be terminated and you will be disqualified effective [date].

Sincerely,

Sponsor Employee Name & Title

Enclosure

Appeal Procedures

cc: F&N Community Operations field office
11630  Notice of Termination and Disqualification

11631  Provider Fails to Appeal

Prototype Letter: Notice of Termination and Disqualification (following failure to appeal)
[NOTE: this letter must be sent by certified mail/return receipt and regular mail.]

Dear [Provider]:

On [date of Notice of Proposed Termination & Proposed Disqualification] you were sent a Notice of Proposed Termination & Proposed Disqualification, which proposed to terminate your agreement to participate in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) for cause and proposed to disqualify you from further CACFP participation. These actions were based on the determination in our [date of Serious Deficiency Notice] Notice of Serious Deficiency that you are seriously deficient in your operation of the CACFP.

You received the Notice of Proposed Termination & Proposed Disqualification on [date received]. You had until [insert deadline for requesting appeal] to submit any requests for appeals of the proposed actions. No requests for appeals were submitted by that deadline.

TERMINATION AND DISQUALIFICATION

As a result, we are:

• Terminating your agreement to participate in the CACFP for cause effective [date], and

• Disqualifying you from future CACFP participation effective [date].

[The effective date for the agreement termination and disqualification must match the date given in the Notice of Proposed Termination & Proposed Disqualification.]

Upon disqualification, you will be placed on the National Disqualified List (NDL). While on the NDL, you will not be able to participate in the CACFP as a day care home provider. In addition, you will not be able to serve as a principal in, or perform any key CACFP functions for, any CACFP institution or site. You will remain on the NDL until such time as the Texas Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition in consultation with the United States Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service determines that the serious deficiencies have been corrected or until 7 years after your disqualification.
However, if any debt relating to the serious deficiencies has not been repaid, you will remain on the list until the debt has been repaid. [Insert if applicable: You owe a debt in the amount of {enter dollar amount}.]

You may not appeal the termination of the agreement for cause or the disqualification.

Sincerely,
Sponsor Employee Name & Title

cc: F&N Community Operations field office
Prototype Letter: Notice of Termination and Disqualification (after sponsor wins appeal)

[NOTE: this letter must be sent by certified mail/return receipt and regular mail.]

Dear [Provider]:

On [date of Notice of Proposed Termination & Proposed Disqualification] you were sent a Notice of Proposed Termination & Proposed Disqualification, which proposed to terminate your agreement to participate in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) for cause and proposed to disqualify you from further CACFP participation. These actions were based on the determination in our [date of Serious Deficiency Notice] Notice of Serious Deficiency that you are seriously deficiency in your operation of the CACFP.

You filed a timely appeal of the proposed termination and proposed disqualification. On [date of hearing official’s decision], the hearing official upheld our proposed actions.

TERMINATION AND DISQUALIFICATION

As a result, we are:

• Terminating your agreement to participate in the CACFP for cause effective [date], and

• Disqualifying you from future CACFP participation effective [date].

[The effective date for the termination and disqualification must be the date of the hearing official’s decision.]

Upon disqualification, you will be placed on the National Disqualified List (NDL). While on the NDL, you will not be able to participate in the CACFP as a day care home provider. In addition, you will not be able to serve as a principal in, or perform any key CACFP functions for, any CACFP institution or site. You will remain on the NDL until such time as the Texas Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition in consultation with the United States Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service determines that the serious deficiencies have been corrected or until 7 years after your disqualification. However, if any debt relating to the serious deficiencies has not been repaid, you will remain on the list until the debt has been repaid. [Insert if applicable: You owe a debt in the amount of {enter dollar amount}.]
You **may not appeal** the termination of the agreement for cause or the disqualification.

Sincerely,

*Sponsor Employee Name & Title*

cc: F&N Community Operations field office
11640 Notice of Temporary Deferral

11641 Provider Wins Appeal

Prototype Letter: Notice of Temporary Deferral of Serious Deficiency, Proposed Termination and Proposed Disqualification (after provider wins appeal)

[NOTE: this letter must be sent by certified mail/return receipt and regular mail.]

Dear [Provider]:

On [date of Notice of Proposed Termination & Proposed Disqualification] you were sent a Notice of Proposed Termination & Proposed Disqualification, which proposed to terminate your agreement to participate in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) for cause and proposed to disqualify you from further CACFP participation. These actions were based on the determination in our [date of Serious Deficiency Notice] Notice of Serious Deficiency that you are seriously deficiency in your operation of the CACFP.

You filed a timely appeal of the proposed termination and proposed disqualification. On [date of hearing official’s decision], the hearing official overturned our proposed actions.

SERIOUS DEFICIENCY DETERMINATION TEMPORARILY DEFERRED

As a result, we have temporarily deferred our serious deficiency determination and will not terminate your agreement or disqualify you from participation in the CACFP. However, if at any time it is determined that you have not fully and permanently corrected the serious deficiencies we will immediately propose to terminate your agreement and disqualify you from participation in the CACFP without further opportunity for corrective action.

Sincerely,

Sponsor Employee Name & Title

cc: F&N Community Operations field office
11642 Notice of Successful Corrective Action

Prototype Letter: Notice of Successful Corrective Action, Temporary Deferral of Serious Deficiency

[NOTE: this letter must be sent by certified mail/return receipt and regular mail]

Dear [Provider]:

On [date of Serious Deficiency Notice] you were notified that you were determined to be seriously deficient in your operation of the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) and of the required corrective actions and due date for the corrective actions.

We received the documentation detailing the actions you have taken to correct these serious deficiencies on [date]. [Insert if applicable: “We conducted a follow-up review on [date] to verify the adequacy of the corrective actions.”]

SERIOUS DEFICIENCY DETERMINATION TEMPORARILY DEFERRED

Based on our review of the documentation [insert if applicable: “and the [date] follow-up review”], we have determined that you have fully and permanently corrected the serious deficiencies. As a result, we have temporarily deferred our serious deficiency determination and will not terminate your agreement or disqualify you from participation in the CACFP.

However, if at any time it is determined that you have not fully and permanently corrected the serious deficiencies we will immediately propose to terminate your agreement and disqualify you from participation in the CACFP without further opportunity for corrective action.

Sincerely,

Sponsor Employee Name & Title

cc: F&N Community Operations field office
Prototype Letter: Notice of Serious Deficiency, Suspension, Proposed Termination, and Proposed Disqualification; Imminent Threat to Health or Safety

[NOTE: this letter must be sent by certified mail/return receipt and regular mail.]

Dear [Provider]:

We have received correspondence from the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services dated [enter date of correspondence] which indicates you have been cited for serious health or safety violations which constitute an imminent threat to the health or safety of participants and the public. See the attached correspondence for the specific violations.

As a result we have determined you are seriously deficient in the operation of the CACFP and your participation in the CACFP, including all payments, has been suspended as of the date of this letter.

In addition, we are also proposing to:

• Terminate your home’s agreement to participate in the CACFP for cause effective [date], and
• Disqualify you from future CACFP participation effective [date].

[The effective date for the termination/disqualification must be no earlier than 30 days from the date of this letter.]

The suspension will remain in effect during the period of any appeal. If you appeal the proposed termination and the proposed disqualification, the proposed actions will not take effect until the hearing official issues a decision on the appeals. If you do not make a timely request for an appeal, your agreement will be terminated and you will be disqualified from future CACFP participation and placed on the National Disqualified List.

If you voluntarily terminate your agreement after receiving this letter, we will formally terminate your agreement and disqualify you from future CACFP participation and place your name on the National Disqualified List (NDL). While on the NDL, you will not be able to participate in the CACFP as a day care home provider. In addition, you will not be able to serve as a principal in any CACFP institution or facility.
You will remain on the NDL until such time as the Texas Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition in consultation with the United States Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service determines that the serious deficiencies have been corrected or until 7 years after your disqualification. However, if any debt relating to the serious deficiencies has not been repaid, you will remain on the NDL until the debt has been repaid. [Insert if applicable: You owe a debt in the amount of {enter dollar amount}.]

**APPEAL OF PROPOSED TERMINATION AND PROPOSED DISQUALIFICATION**

You may appeal the proposed termination of your agreement for cause and your proposed disqualification. A copy of the appeal procedures is enclosed. (Or you can include the appeal procedures here in the letter)

If you need assistance please contact {enter contact information}.

Sincerely,

Sponsor Employee Name & Title

Enclosure

Appeal Procedures

cc: F&N Community Operations field office
Prototype Letter: Notice of Termination and Disqualification (after sponsor wins appeal); Imminent Threat to Health or Safety
[NOTE: this letter must be sent by certified mail/return receipt and regular mail.]

Dear [Provider]:

On [date of Notice of Suspension] you were sent a Notice of Serious Deficiency, Suspension, Proposed Termination and Proposed Disqualification; Imminent Threat to Health or Safety, which suspended your participation in the CACFP and proposed to terminate your CACFP agreement disqualify you from further CACFP participation. These actions were based on the determination that you are seriously deficient in your operation of the CACFP due to an imminent threat to the health or safety of participants or the public.

You filed a timely appeal of the proposed termination and proposed disqualification. On [date of hearing official’s decision], the hearing official upheld the proposed actions.

TERMINATION AND DISQUALIFICATION

As a result, we are:
- Terminating your agreement to participate in the CACFP for cause effective [date], and
- Disqualifying you from future CACFP participation effective [date].

[The effective date for the termination and disqualification must be the date of the hearing official’s decision.]

Upon disqualification, you will be placed on the National Disqualified List (NDL). While on the NDL, you will not be able to participate in the CACFP as a day care home provider. In addition, you will not be able to serve as a principal in, or perform any key CACFP functions for, any CACFP institution or facility. You will remain on the NDL until such time as the Texas Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition in consultation with the United States Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service determines that the serious deficiencies have been corrected or until 7 years after your disqualification.
However, if any debt relating to the serious deficiencies has not been repaid, you will remain on the list until the debt has been repaid. [**Insert if applicable:** You owe a debt in the amount of **{enter dollar amount}.**]

Sincerely,

Sponsor Employee Name & Title

cc: F&N Community Operations field office
Notice of Termination and Disqualification – Provider Fails to Appeal

Prototype Letter: Notice of Termination and Disqualification (following failure to appeal); Imminent Threat to Health or Safety

[NOTE: this letter must be sent by certified mail/return receipt and regular mail.]

Dear [Provider]:

On [date of Notice of Suspension] you were sent a Notice of Serious Deficiency, Suspension, Proposed Termination and Proposed Disqualification; Imminent Threat to Health or Safety, which suspended your participation in the CACFP and proposed to terminate your CACFP agreement disqualify you from further CACFP participation. These actions were based on the determination that you are seriously deficient in your operation of the CACFP due to an imminent threat to the health or safety of participants or the public.

You received Notice of Serious Deficiency, Suspension, Proposed Termination and Proposed Disqualification; Imminent Threat to Health or Safety on [date received]. You had until [insert deadline for requesting appeal] to submit any request for an appeal of the proposed actions. No request for an appeal was submitted by that deadline.

TERMINATION AND DISQUALIFICATION

As a result, we are:

- Terminating your home’s agreement to participate in the CACFP for cause effective [date], and
- Disqualifying you from future CACFP participation effective [date].

[The effective date for the agreement termination and disqualification is the date stated in the Notice of Serious Deficiency, Suspension, Proposed Termination and Proposed Disqualification; Imminent Threat to Health or Safety.]

Upon disqualification, you will be placed on the National Disqualified List (NDL). While on the NDL, you will not be able to participate in the CACFP as a day care home provider. In addition, you will not be able to serve as a principal in, or perform any key CACFP functions for, any CACFP institution or facility. You will remain on the NDL until such time as the Texas Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition in consultation with the United States Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service determines that the serious deficiencies have been corrected or until 7 years after your disqualification.

However, if any debt relating to the serious deficiencies has not been repaid, you will remain on the list until the debt has been repaid. [Insert if applicable: You owe a debt in the amount of {enter dollar amount}.]
You **may not appeal** the termination of your agreement for cause or your disqualification.

Sincerely,

Sponsor Employee Name & Title

cc: F&N Community Operations field office
Prototype Letter: Notice of Deferral (Deferring Serious Deficiency, Suspension, Proposed Termination and Proposed Disqualification (after provider wins appeal); Imminent Threat to Health or Safety
[NOTE: this letter must be sent by certified mail/return receipt and regular mail.]

Dear [Provider]:

On [date of Notice of Suspension] you were sent a Notice of Serious Deficiency, Suspension, Proposed Termination and Proposed Disqualification; Imminent Threat to Health or Safety, which suspended your participation in the CACFP and proposed to terminate your CACFP agreement disqualify you from further CACFP participation. These actions were based on the determination that you are seriously deficient in your operation of the CACFP due to an imminent threat to the health or safety of participants or the public.

You filed a timely appeal of the proposed termination and proposed disqualification. On [date of hearing official’s decision], the hearing official overturned the proposed actions.

SERIOUS DEFICIENCY DETERMINATION, SUSPENSION, PROPOSED TERMINATION AND PROPOSED DISQUALIFICATION TEMPORARILY DEFERRED

As a result, we have temporarily deferred our serious deficiency determination and will not terminate your agreement or disqualify you from participation in the CACFP.

We will pay any valid claims for reimbursement submitted by you for the period of the suspension. You must submit these claims by [insert a date that will give the provider an appropriate length of time to submit these claims].

Sincerely,

Sponsor Employee Name & Title

cc: F&N Community Operations field office