Building for the Future

This child or adult care facility participates in the Child and Adult Food Care Program (CACFP), a Federal program that plays a vital role in assuring the nutritional quality of meals and snacks served to eligible children and adults and making care more affordable for many low-income families.

In Montana, the program serves participants in all counties and all tribal communities. Providers are reimbursed for serving nutritious meals that meet USDA requirements.

Meals CACFP Facilities follow meal requirements established by USDA listed below:

Breakfast

- Fruit or vegetable
- Bread or grains
- Milk

Lunch or Supper

- Meat or meat alternative
- Bread or grains
- Fruit and vegetable (Can offer 2 vegetables, but not 2 fruits)
- Milk

Snacks (Two of the five groups:)

- Meat or meat alternative
- Bread or grains
- Fruit or vegetable
- Milk

Participating Facilities

Many different homes and centers operate CACFP and share the common goal of bringing nutritious meals and snacks to participants. Participating facilities include:

- Child and Adult Care Centers-Licensed or approved public or private nonprofit child care centers, adult care centers, Head Start programs, and for-profit centers
- Family/Group Day Care Homes-Licensed or approved private homes.
- At Risk After School Programs-Centers in low-income areas provide free snacks and/or supper to school-age children and youth.
- Homeless Shelters-Emergency shelters provide food services to homeless children.

Eligibility

State agencies reimburse facilities that offer non-residential care to the following:

- Children age 12 and under,
- Adults who are functionally impaired or over age 60
- Migrant children age 15 and younger
- Youth through age 18 in after school care programs in low income areas

If you have any questions about CACFP, please contact one of the following:

Montana State Agency Sponsoring Organization/Center



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