

HOUSEHOLD LETTER (non-pricing program)

Dear Parent/Guardian:

This child care program provides meals everyday to all enrolled children. Your child is enrolled in a child care program participating in the USDA's Child and Adult Care Food Program through an agreement with the RI Department of Education. Under this agreement, the child care center receives reimbursement for meals served to your child while in care. The amount of reimbursement received by the center depends on the eligibility status of the households of children in care. **Please return a completed Meal Benefit Form to the child care center.** Children enrolled in our center receive their meals at no separate charge, but the determination of eligibility category affects the amount of Federal funding received by the child care center.

Current Federal and State supported benefit programs meeting the criteria for categorical eligibility with an eligibility limit that does not exceed eligibility standards for free/reduced price meals are: the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and RIWorks. If your household currently receives benefits under SNAP or RIWorks, you need to list the name of the household member and their SNAP or RIWorks case number on the form. You must also have an adult sign and date the form. **If you received a Direct Certification letter from the Department of Human Services, please give us a copy of the letter (or the actual letter) instead of completing a Meal Benefit Form.**

However, if your household does not receive benefits under SNAP or RIWorks, please complete the Meal Benefit Form and make sure you provide the names of all household members and their income by source and have an adult sign, date and provide the last four digits of his/her social security number, or indicate that the individual does not have a social security number at this time.

Foster children: For households with foster children, please refer to the instructions on How to Complete the Meal Benefit Form or contact us for additional information. A foster child is defined as a child that is formally placed by a State child welfare agency or a court, not a child placed in a home from informal arrangements.

For all households: You must include all people living in your household, related or not (such as grandparents, other relatives, foster children or friends). You must include yourself and all children living with you. Therefore, the income reported on the Meal Benefit Form must include the gross income of all members of your household, by source, for the prior month. If last month's income does not accurately reflect your circumstances, you may provide a projection of your monthly income. If no significant change has occurred, you may use last month's income as basis to make this projection.

July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019 INCOME CHART

Household Size	Yearly	Monthly
1	\$22,459	\$1,872
2	30,451	2,538
3	38,443	3,204
4	46,435	3,870
5	54,427	4,536
6	62,419	5,202
For each additional person, add...	+ \$7,992	+ \$ 666

You may apply at any time during the year if your household size goes up, income goes down, or if you start getting SNAP, RIWorks or other benefits. You should also notify us if you become unemployed and the loss of income during the period of unemployment causes your household income to be within the eligibility standards.

In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA.

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- (1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
- (2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or
- (3) email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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Thank you for your cooperation.

Sponsor Representative Signature

Date 1/1/19

CACFP Meal Benefit Income Eligibility (Child Care)

Complete one application per household. Please use a pen (not a pencil).

APPLY ONLINE:

Insert URL Here

STEP 1 List ALL children in day care (if more spaces are required for additional names, attach another sheet of paper)

Definition of Household Member: "Anyone who is living with you and shares income and expenses, even if not related."

Children in Foster care and children who meet the definition of **Homeless, Migrant** or **Runaway** are eligible for free meals.

Child's First Name	MI	Child's Last Name

Foster Child	Migrant	Runaway	Homeless	Head Start
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Check all that apply

STEP 2 Do any household members (including you) currently participate in one or more of the following assistance programs: SNAP, TANF, or FDPIR?

IF NO > Go to STEP 3 **IF YES >** Write case number here and proceed to STEP 4 (do not complete STEP 3)

CASE NUMBER:

Write only one case number in this space.

STEP 3 Total Household Gross Income (List only household members with income)

Are you unsure what income to include here? Flip the page and review the charts titled "Sources of Income" for more information.

The "Sources of Income for Children" chart will help you with the Child Income section.

The "Sources of Income for Adults" chart will help you with All Adult Household Members section.

A. Child Income

Sometimes children in the household earn or receive income. Please include the TOTAL income received by all Household Members listed in STEP 1 here.

Child Income

How often? Weekly Bi-Weekly Monthly Bi-Monthly

B. All Adult Household Members (Including yourself)

List all Household Members not listed in STEP 1 (including yourself) even if they do not receive income. For each Household Member listed, if they do receive income, report total gross income (before taxes) for each source in whole dollars (no cents) only. If they do not receive income from any source, write '0'. If you enter '0' or leave any fields blank, you are certifying (promising) that there is no income to report.

Name of Adult Household Members (First and last)	Earnings from Work	How often?				Welfare/Child Support/Alimony	How often?				Pensions/Retirement/Social Security/SSI/VA Benefits	How often?			
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Total Household Members (Children and Adults) Last Four Digits of Social Security Number (SSN) of Primary Wage Earner or other Adult Household Member Check if no SSN

STEP 4 Contact information and adult signature. MAIL COMPLETED FORM TO YOUR SCHOOL AT:

"I certify (promise) that all information on this application is true and that all income is reported. I understand that this information is given in connection with the receipt of Federal funds, and that CACFP officials may verify (check) the information. I am aware that if I purposely give false information, the participant/center may lose meal benefits, and I may be prosecuted under applicable State and Federal laws."

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Print Name of Adult Signing the Form	Signature of Adult	Today's Date
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Address	City	State Zip
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	Phone/Email

Source of Income for Children	
Sources of Child Income	Examples
Earnings from work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A child has a regular full or part-time job where they earn a salary or wages
Social Security - Disability Payments - Survivors Benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A child is blind or disabled and receives Social Security benefits A parent is disabled, retired, or deceased, and their child receives Social Security benefits
Income from person outside of household	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A friend or extended family member regularly gives a child spending money
Income from any other source	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A child receives regular income from a private pension fund, annuity, or trust

Source of Income for Adults		
Earnings from Work	Public Assistance/Alimony/Child Support	Pensions/Retirement/All other sources of income
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Salary, wages, cash bonuses Net income from self-employment (farm or business) <p>If you are in the U.S. Military:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Basic pay and cash bonuses (do NOT include combat pay, FSSA, or privatized housing allowances) Allowances for off-base housing, food, and clothing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unemployment benefits Workers compensation Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Cash assistance from State or local government Alimony payments Child support payments Veterans benefits Strike benefits 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Social Security (including railroad retirement and black lung benefits) Private Pensions or disability benefits Income from trusts or estates Annuities Investment income Earned interest Rental income Regular cash payments from outside household

OPTIONAL Children's Ethnic and Racial Identities (Optional)

We are required to ask for information about your children's race and ethnicity. This information is important and helps to make sure we are fully serving our community. Responding to this section is optional and does not affect your children's eligibility for receiving meals during care.

Ethnicity (check one): Hispanic or Latino Not Hispanic or Latino

Race (check one or more): American Indian or Alaskan Native Asian Black or African American Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander White

The **Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act** requires the information on this application. You do not have to give the information, but if you do not, the funds your child care center/provider receives may be impacted. You must include the last four digits of the social security number of the adult household member who signs the application. The last four digits of the social security number is not required when you apply on behalf of a foster child or you list a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) case number or other FDPIR identifier for your child or when you indicate that the adult household member signing the application does not have a social security number. We will use your information to determine the meal reimbursement for your child care center/provider. We MAY share your eligibility information with education, health, and nutrition programs to help them evaluate, fund, or determine benefits for their programs, auditors for program reviews, and law enforcement officials to help them look into violations of program rules.

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MAIL*: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410

FAX: (202) 690-7442; or
EMAIL: program.intake@usda.gov.
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***Only use this address if you are filing a complaint of discrimination.**

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Annual Income Conversion: Weekly x 52, Every 2 Weeks x 26, Twice a Month x 24, Monthly x 12

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