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A new CACFP Training Spotlight on <u>Serving Milk</u> is now available. This spotlight includes information to help programs ensure the minimum required amount is served to each participant at meals and snacks. The handout addresses required milk types, minimum serving sizes, requirements for serving milk in family style and pre-plated meal service methods and using the correct cup size for the minimum required amounts.

Find the current and past CACFP Training Spotlight handouts on the <u>CACFP Training Spotlight webpage</u>.

If you have a suggestion for a future training topic, email DPICACFP.Training@dpi.wi.gov.

Wisconsin Chili Lunch (ALL)

Celebrate Wisconsin-grown foods and farm to institution efforts by joining the 2023 Wisconsin Chili Lunch. Join K-12 schools, early care and education programs, hospitals, colleges, and more by cooking and serving a chili recipe made with local ingredients on National Chili Day—Thursday, February 23rd, 2023!

The goal of the Wisconsin Chili Lunch is to create strong connections between Wisconsin farmers and eaters and demonstrate how organizations can serve Wisconsin-grown foods - even in winter. This statewide chili lunch event inspires nutritious school and early care meals and supports farm to institution initiatives throughout the state while encouraging year-round purchases of local foods.

Participation is simple: Prepare and serve your Wisconsin Chili Lunch using as many locally grown ingredients as possible! Add local meats, cheese, or yogurt! Serve it in a bowl, on a baked potato, or with a cinnamon roll! Use a recipe listed on the Wisconsin Chili Lunch website or cook up your own favorite recipe. Register today to get the Chili Lunch Guide, supply chain help, more recipes and get connected to other farm to institution efforts in the state.

Year-Round Food Program: Transitioning from the At-Risk Afterschool Program to Summer Food Service Program (AR)

The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) provides funding to serve free nutritious meals and snacks to children at sites in low-income areas (where half of the children are eligible for free or reduced-price school meals) or that serve primarily low-income children when school is not in session. Sites can be summer programs, schools, parks, swimming pools, low-income housing complexes, and other places where children gather during the summer. Most sites can provide up to two meals a day to children aged 18 and younger.

At-risk sites are in a good position to transition to the SFSP at the end of the school year. Participation in both the SFSP and the At-Risk Afterschool component of the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) are encouraged to benefit both the organization and communities by providing year-round services to children. Visit the DPI Summer Food Service Program webpage for more information and if interested in transitioning your At-risk site to SFSP, complete the SFSP New Agency Information form located on the Join the SFSP webpage. Contact Amy Kolano, SFSP Coordinator at (608) 266-7124 or Amy.Kolano@dpi.wi.gov with questions.

REMINDER: Claim Submission Deadlines: Federal regulations impose a claim submission deadline of 60 calendar days after the last day of the month for which the claim applies. For DPI's CACFP Claim Submission Deadlines visit Claim Submission Deadlines.

Contact your <u>assigned CACFP consultant</u> with questions about the items in the bulletin, or other CACFP questions.

Do you have new staff working with the CACFP? Check out this resource New Staff Responsibilities for CACFP.

For DPI's CACFP COVID-19 Information visit <u>CACFP Resources for Transitioning Back to Normal Operations.</u>

Program Abbreviation Key

CC=Child Care

AR=At Risk

FDCH: Family Day Care Home

HS: Head Start

ES: Emergency Shelters SO: Sponsoring Organizations OS: Outside of School Hours Care

ADC: Adult Day Care **ALL:** Applies to all types

The abbreviation key identifies each type of program in the CACFP. Each section above identifies who the information applies to when implementing the CACFP. If your type of program is not listed in a section, it does not apply.

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