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CACFP Tuesday Talks (ALL)

CACFP Tuesday Talks is a monthly 30-minute webinar that includes a 15-minute presentation and 15 minutes of Q & As where CACFP staff answer attendees' questions.

Upcoming Webinars

The next webinar is on **April 27, 2021**, from 2:00-2:30 p.m. and will cover *Identifying WGR foods using the Rule of Three and CACFP Reference Guide*.

Check out the [Tuesday Talks website](#) for upcoming webinar topics. DPI will send out a separate email with information on how to access the webinar the week before each webinar. Registry certificates will be emailed to participants who attend the entire live webinar.

Past Webinars

All past webinars, including the latest on *Financial Management*, are recorded and posted on the Tuesday Talks website. Handouts with presenter notes and Q&As are also posted.

Ounce Equivalents for Grains Training – May 19th (ALL)

Effective October 1, 2021, ounce equivalents will be the required method for determining serving sizes of grains in the CACFP. Save the date for a virtual training on **May 19, 2021**, from 1 - 2 pm. The webinar will discuss how to use ounce equivalents for grains and will provide tools, strategies, and resources for CACFP operators to use. Registry certificates will be available to participants who attend the entire live webinar. More information will be provided in CACFP Bulletins and emails in the coming months.

New CACFP Meal Pattern Training Slides (ALL)

USDA's Team Nutrition is excited to announce new meal pattern training slide presentations and resources for the CACFP. These ready-to-go presentation slides and accompanying worksheets may be used by State agencies, sponsoring organizations, child care centers, and others to train providers, operators, and menu planners.

Training Topics

Mealtimes with Toddlers in the CACFP ([PPT](#), [Resources](#))

Serving Vegetables in the CACFP ([PPT](#), [Resources](#))

Using the WIC Food Lists to Identify Grains for the CACFP ([PPT](#), [Resources](#))

For questions or assistance with these Team Nutrition resources, please contact: TeamNutrition@USDA.gov.

Kitchen Skills & More Culinary Training (ALL)

USDA's Team Nutrition launched a new [website](#), expanding its Institute of Child Nutrition with a culinary institute that provides in-depth, hands-on

culinary training and resources. While the website is for school nutrition professionals, there are great ideas for everyone, such as [knife skills](#).

Team Nutrition CACFP Organization Network (ALL, except FDCH)

Sponsoring organizations and independent child care centers that participate in the CACFP are invited to sign up as a Team Nutrition (TN) CACFP Organization, and join an important network working towards healthier nutrition and physical activity environments. [Enroll here](#) in this free network to become a Team Nutrition CACFP Organization.

As a member, you will be able to: Affirm your commitment to helping CACFP participants make healthier food choices and be more physically active. Be the first to hear about new TN nutrition education, promotional and training materials for CACFP. Have the opportunity to be highlighted on TN social media channels and in print publications. Receive access to exclusive nutrition education and promotional materials, such as the Team Nutrition [Discover New Foods Decals](#). These 6" by 6" decals can be used to promote healthy choices at child care sites! Each decal set includes graphics on new foods such as Dairy Foods, Fruits, Grains, Protein Foods, and Veggies.

New Feature in the Food Buying Guide Mobile App! (ALL)

A new feature is available on the Food Buying Guide (FBG) Mobile App which allows users to customize the Serving Size per Meal Contribution for fruits and vegetables using a drop-down menu to auto-calculate the amount to purchase based on the selected serving size. This feature was recently released on the FBG Interactive Web-based Tool. Download the FREE Food Buying Guide Mobile App on the Apple Store or Google Play today!



- 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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