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*To:*    Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) List-Serv Members

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**Announcements from the Wisconsin Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)**

- USDA Nationwide Waiver of Area Eligibility in the CACFP At-Risk Afterschool Care Component (AR)

**USDA Nationwide Waiver to waive area eligibility for CACFP At-Risk sites (AR)**
This waiver allows schools and afterschool care centers, regardless of their location, to serve at-risk afterschool meals and snacks to students after the regular school day, through December 31, 2020. This means that schools and afterschool care centers may operate without having to meet the requirement of at least 50 percent of the children receiving meals being eligible for free or reduced-price meals. If implementing, schools and afterschool centers must have a plan for ensuring that meal sites target benefits to children in need. Additionally, USDA, reserves the right to withdraw this approval subject to availability of funding.

**Education/ Enrichment Activity Requirement:**  USDA clarified that CACFP At-Risk programs must provide an education or enrichment activity for each day the meal/snack is served. This requirement has not been waived for agencies providing non-congregate meals. You must continue with this requirement. When meals are served using the non-congregate and parent pick-up waivers, these activities may be conducted virtually or in other non-congregate ways. For example, programs may offer online homework assistance, activity packets, electronic games and books, or other e-learning activities for the participants to complete at home.

For more information about participating in the CACFP At-Risk component, please contact DPI at cnt@dpi.wi.gov.

| PROGRAM ABBREVIATION KEY | | |
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| **CC:** Child Care | **HS:** Head Start | **OS:** Outside of School Hours Care |
| **AR:** At Risk | **ES:** Emergency Shelters | **ADC:** Adult Day Care |
| **FDCH:** Family Day Care Home | **SO:** Sponsoring Organizations | **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.*