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

**From:** Community Nutrition Team

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

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#### **SPONSORING ORGANIZATION REMINDER: 2020 4th Quarter Report Due (SO)**

If your agency participated in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) with two or more sites you should have submitted all four quarters of your CACFP Financial Report for the 2020 program year (October 1, 2019 - September 30, 2020). The last quarterly report for the reporting period of July 1 - September 30, 2020) was due on December 1, 2020. If you have not yet submitted this report, please do so as soon as possible. Instructions can be found here [Quarterly Financial Report](#). *This requirement is not for Independent Centers that only have one site on the CACFP. Those agencies should have already filed their annual financial report for 2020 which was due November 1.*

#### **CACFP Reference Guide Updated (ALL)**

The [CACFP Reference Guide](#) has been updated. The guide provides sugar limit charts for cereals and yogurt, includes a list of the Wisconsin WIC Approved cereals, and identifies how to determine if an item is whole grain rich. DPI will be printing and mailing updated guides to participating programs and providers in 2021.

#### **USDA Proposed Rule: CACFP Flexibilities for Milk (ALL)**

This rule proposes to allow CACFP operators to permanently allow flavored, **low-fat (1%)** milk for participants ages 6 and older. This proposed rule was published in the [Federal Register](#) and has a 30-day public comment period.

#### **Farm to School/ Early Care: Educational/Enrichment Activities (AR)**

Looking for educational and enrichment activities for the CACFP At-Risk Afterschool Program? DPI has easy-to-access activities you can share directly with students to go along with their afterschool snack. All activities are WI Farm to School/Early Care themed and work for in-person or virtual learning. Share links with families, print off activity sheets to slide into a snack pack, or play videos during snack. We hope this is helpful to those providing afterschool snacks!

- [Teaching in Nature’s Classroom: a free e-book](#)
- [The Food System Picture Book](#)
- [A Day Without Dairy Activity](#)
- [Tree Exploration Activity](#)
- [Traditional Foods in WI Nutrition Education Videos](#)

**Physical Activity and Healthy Eating Initiative Survey (ALL)**

The 2019 Maternal Child Health Program Needs Assessment results found that physical activity and nutrition are high priorities for Wisconsin children. Therefore, the WI Department of Health Services (DHS) and healthTIDE (a partner of UW-Madison) would like to survey organizations involved with children aged 6-11 to gauge interest in working with DHS and healthTIDE, identify local leaders to help guide the development of this work, and gather thoughts on what types of activities would best serve local communities. The goal is to enhance efforts already in place and to continue to build relationships.

The survey should take 5-10 minutes to complete. The hope is to collect as many responses from WI organizations (i.e. local and tribal agencies, out-of-school time programs and childcare centers/homes) to guide future grant activities and decisions to improve physical activity and healthy eating among children ages 6-11 in WI. Click on the [2019 Maternal Child Health Program Needs Assessment](#) to participate.

**USDA Standardized Recipes in Spanish (ALL)**

On November 23, 2020, Team Nutrition released Spanish versions of 40 recipes with yields of 6 servings, and 40 recipes with yields of 25-50 servings for use in family child care homes and centers. This diverse collection of standardized recipes supports CACFP operators in planning menus that appeal to the taste preferences of children in their care. Each recipe includes a statement showing how the food counts towards CACFP meal pattern requirements.

The English versions of the recipes were previously released as the [CACFP Multicultural Recipe](#) collection. These recipes reflect cuisines from around the world, such as the Beef Picadillo (Picadillo de carne), Red Beans and Rice (Frijoles rojos con arroz), Quick Quesadilla (Quesadilla rápida), Baked Batatas and Apples (Batatas y manzanas al horno), and more!

The [recipes](#) are free to download, print, and share with others.

**The Community Nutrition Team would like to wish you a safe and happy holiday season!**

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION KEY		
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.*