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USDA Announces New Rates

Rates go into effect July 1st, 2025 – June 30th, 2026

- Breakfast increased 4 cents (Tier I) and 1 cent (Tier II)
- Lunch/Supper increased 7 cents (Tier I) and 4 cents (Tier II)
- Snack increased 3 cents (Tier I) and no change (Tier II)

	Tier 1	Tier 2
Breakfast	\$1.70	\$.61
Lunch/Supper	\$3.22	\$1.94
Snack	\$.96	\$.26

2025–2026 Income Eligibility Guidelines

You may be eligible to receive Tier 1 reimbursement if your household income falls within the threshold of the chart below. If you are a current Tier 2 provider or have your own children that you would like to claim, check the chart below to see if your household income qualifies you. If you feel you may, fill out the application and return to foodprogram@sendcaa.org for processing. Eligible applications are good for one year.

Household Size	Yearly	Monthly	Weekly
1	\$28,953	\$2,413	\$557
2	\$39,128	\$3,261	\$753
3	\$49,303	\$4,109	\$949
4	\$59,478	\$4,957	\$1,144
5	\$69,653	\$5,805	\$1,340
6	\$79,828	\$6,653	\$1,536
7	\$90,003	\$7,501	\$1,731
8	\$100,175	\$8,349	\$1,927

Cereal Rule Update

Breakfast cereals may not have more than 6 grams of ADDED sugar per dry ounce. This updated rule now allows a few cereals that can be added to your menu. An updated creditable cereal list can be found [here](#).

New cereals that can be added to your childcare meals.

Both are whole grain-rich foods.



Raisin Bran
Plain



Peanut Butter
Chex

Effective October 1, 2025 the USDA has changed the product-based limit for breakfast cereals from total sugars to **added sugars**. Breakfast cereals cannot exceed 6 grams of **added sugars** per dry ounce.



2025 Mandatory Training Due by August 31st

Each year, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) requires child care providers participating on the CACFP to complete a mandatory training to show that they are proficient in the policies and procedures of the CACFP. This year's training is due by August 31st, 2025 and is Growing Futures approved until that date.

If the training is completed with a passing grade of at least 70%, the training will be submitted to Growing Futures within 7 business days for one hour of training. Answers can be found in the SENDCAA Provider Handbook.

The provider handbook can be found [here](#) for your convenience.

Failure to complete the training by August 31st, may lead to a serious deficiency with the CACFP.

Please note: If you are unable to complete this training electronically, please contact your home monitor for accommodations.

[Complete Training Now](#)

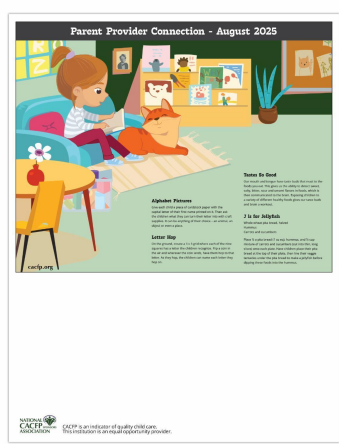
SENDCAA Satisfaction Survey

We want your feedback! The SENDCAA Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) would like to hear from providers on their experience on our program and any opportunities for improvement. Thank you for your time!

Take Survey

August Resources

The National CACFP Association has developed extra monthly resources to go along with your calendar. The Parent Connections monthly newsletters are ready for you to add your own info at the bottom of the page; and the activity pages contain recipes, craft activities, movement activities and more.



August Parent Newsletter



August Bonus Activities

Training Opportunities

Looking for free training hours? Check out our website for all of the available at-home training modules. SENDCAA training hours are Growing Futures approved and free to SENDCAA providers and their staff.

- [Nutrition Facts Label](#)
- [Nutrition & Wellness Tips for Young Children](#)
- [Infant Feeding Guide](#)
- [Identifying Whole Grain-Rich](#)
- [2025 Calendar](#)
- [2025 Mandatory Training-Due by August 31st, 2025](#)

Growing Futures

Can't remember which trainings you have completed? Log in to your Growing Futures account to see all the trainings in one list. Once logged in, choose the training tab along the top to view all your approved trainings. The most recent will be at the top of the list.

[Log into Growing Futures](#)

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