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CHILD AND ADULT CARE FOOD PROGRAM – DAY CARE CENTERS

HARTFORD, Conn. (October 29, 2013) – Many local child care centers and adult day care centers in Connecticut participate in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) and provide nutritious meals to more than 14,000 participants daily at more than 300 locations statewide through 130 locally sponsored programs.

The Child and Adult Care Food Program is funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and provides nutritious meals and snacks at no separate charge to infants, young children, and adults receiving services in day care centers as well as infants and children living in emergency shelters. The Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE) accepts applications from public and private institutions for the CACFP on an ongoing basis. Sponsoring institutions serve meals to all participants regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability.

Child and Adult Care Food Program sponsors are reimbursed for each meal served, according to predetermined U.S. Department of Agriculture reimbursement rates based on the income levels of the families served by the programs. The following income guidelines will be used to determine funding in Connecticut from July 1, 2013, to June 30, 2014.

FREE MEALS					REDUCED PRICE MEALS				
Number in Family	Annual Gross Income	Monthly Gross Income	Every Two Weeks Gross Income	Weekly Gross Income	Number in Family	Annual Gross Income	Monthly Gross Income	Every Two Weeks Gross Income	Weekly Gross Income
1	14,937	1,245	575	288	1	21,257	1,772	818	409
2	20,163	1,681	776	388	2	28,694	2,392	1,104	552
3	25,389	2,116	977	489	3	36,131	3,011	1,390	695
4	30,615	2,552	1,178	589	4	43,568	3,631	1,676	838
5	35,841	2,987	1,379	690	5	51,005	4,251	1,962	981
6	41,067	3,423	1,580	790	6	58,442	4,871	2,248	1,124
7	46,293	3,858	1,781	891	7	65,879	5,490	2,534	1,267
8	51,519	4,294	1,982	991	8	73,316	6,110	2,820	1,410
Each Add'l Family Member	+5,226	+ 436	+ 201	+101	Each Add'l Family Member	+ 7,437	+ 620	+ 287	+ 144

Child and Adult Care Food Program applications and a list of local CACFP participating agencies are available through the CSDE's Bureau of Health/Nutrition, Family Services and Adult Education, 25 Industrial Park Road, Middletown, CT 06457-1543.

For further information on CACFP go to: <http://www.sde.ct.gov/sde/cwp/view.asp?a=2626&q=321576>

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