



What is the Child Care Food Program?

The Child Care Food Program (CCFP) is a government program funded by the USDA, Food and Nutrition Services, and the California Department of Education that provides cash reimbursement to Family Child Care Providers (Licensed/TrustLine) for serving nutritious meals to children ages 0 to 12 yrs regardless of race, color, special needs, age, sex, or national origin.



What is required to participate?

- ✓ Be a Licensed Family Day Care Provider or TrustLine Provider.
- ✓ Keep Daily Records of meals served to children using free online (www.minutemenu.com) or scan form system.
- ✓ Submit monthly claim to Choices for Children (via internet or mail).
- ✓ Home visits from CCFP staff 3 times a year.
- ✓ Attend Mandatory Annual Nutrition Training.



How much is the reimbursement for Providers?

- ✓ Monthly cash reimbursement **Previous month paid at the end of the current month!**
- ✓ Maximum reimbursement is 2 main meals + 1 snack per child per day.
- ✓ Federal & State rates are combined in each monthly check:

FEDERAL REIMBURSEMENT RATES

(July 1, 2011 - June 30, 2012)

	Tier 1*	Tier 2*
Breakfast	\$1.24	\$0.45
Lunch/Dinner	\$2.32	\$1.40
Snack	\$0.69	\$0.19

STATE REIMBURSEMENT RATE

52.5% of Breakfast + Lunches x \$0.1562

If you are a Tier 1 Provider operating at full capacity and serving lunch, snack and dinner daily, here is what you could potentially be reimbursed per month:

Lic. Cap.	Serving	L.S.D	\$Per Day	\$Per Week	\$Per Month
8	x	\$5.33	= \$42.64	x 5 = \$213.20	x 4.2 = \$895.44

Lic. Cap.	Serving	L.S.D	\$Per Day	\$Per Week	\$Per Month
14	x	\$5.33	= \$74.62	x 5 = \$373.10	x 4.2 = \$1567.02

If you are a Tier 2 Provider operating at full capacity and serving lunch, snack and dinner daily, here is what you could potentially be reimbursed per month:

Lic. Cap.	Serving	L.S.D	\$Per Day	\$Per Week	\$Per Month
8	x	\$2.99	= \$23.92	x 5 = \$119.60	x 4.2 = \$502.32

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14	x	\$2.99	= \$41.86	x 5 = \$209.30	x 4.2 = \$879.06

*Tier level determined at initial training and is based on eligibility by income and/or school.



What kinds of meals are served to Children?

CCFP Sample Meal Pattern for Ages 3-5

Breakfast (Serve all three components)	
Fluid Milk	3/4 cup
Vegetable, Fruit, or Full-strength Juice	1/2 cup
Grain/Bread	1/2 slice
Lunch/Dinner (Serve all four components)	
Fluid Milk	3/4 cup
2 Vegetables and/or Fruits	1/2 cup (total)
Grain/Bread	1/2 slice
Meat/Meat Alternative	1 1/2 oz.
Snack (Serve two of the four components)	
Fluid Milk	1/2 cup
Vegetable, Fruit, or Full-strength Juice	1/2 cup
Grain/Bread	1/2 slice
Meat/Meat Alternative	1/2 oz.

Please note, this is only a summary of the meal pattern requirements. For more detailed requirements, please contact our office or visit our website.



How do I join the Child Care Food Program?

Contact us today to set up an in home training! (see our contact information on back of brochure)

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