

Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)

When school is out and parents are still at work, children need a safe place to be with their friends, with structured activities, supportive adults, and good nutrition.

Afterschool programs that participate in CACFP give children and teenagers the nutrition they need, and draw them into constructive activities that are safe, fun, and filled with opportunities for learning.

CACFP reimburses centers at free, reduced-price, or paid rates for eligible meals and snacks served to enrolled children, targeting benefits to those children most in need.

For more information, please visit <http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/care/Afterschool.htm>.



Please Note:

USDA provides reimbursement for meals and snacks served in afterschool programs that:

- *Are located at sites where at least half of the children in the school attendance area are eligible for free and reduced price school meals.*
- *Offer educational or enrichment activities, after the regular school day ends or on week-ends and holidays, during times of the year when school is in session.*
- *Meet licensing, health, or safety codes that are required by state or local law.*
- *Serve nutritionally balanced meals and snacks that meet USDA's nutrition standards, with foods like milk, meat, vegetables, fruit, and bread.*