

Dear Parent/Guardian:

We provide nutritious meals every day to the children at our center.

The Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) helps our center to pay for meals. The amount of help we get depends on the incomes of households with children in care. **Please complete the enclosed CACFP Household Income Statement form** following the instructions. If your household income is higher than the guidelines shown on the instructions page, please write "over income" on the Household Income Statement, include your children's names and return the form.

Return your completed Household Income Statement form to: 402 NE Clark Drive Verndale, MN 56481

### **Commonly Asked Questions:**

I already get Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP) or Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits. Do I meet CACFP income guidelines? Yes. You should provide your case number on the form instead of income information if anyone in your household is approved for one of these programs: MFIP, SNAP or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR).

In addition, children in foster care meet CACFP guidelines without providing income information.

Your household may meet CACFP income guidelines if you are approved for the *Women, Infants, and Children* program (WIC) or *Medical Assistance* program (MA). Please fill out a Household Income Statement form.

Who should I include as members of my household? Include yourself and all other people living in your household, related or not (such as grandparents, other relatives or friends). Include anyone who is temporarily away. Example: a college student.

What if my income is not always the same? List the amount that you normally get. Include overtime pay if you regularly work overtime. For fluctuating income like seasonal work, list the average monthly income.

**Do I need to provide my Social Security number?** If household incomes are reported on the form, the person signing the form must write in just the last four digits of their Social Security number. If you don't have a Social Security number, indicate that on the form.

May I fill out a Household Income Statement if someone in my household is not a United States (U.S.) citizen? Yes. You or your children or other household members do not have to be U.S. citizens for you to fill out a CACFP Household Income Statement.

**How will my information be kept?** We will keep your information on file as private data. The back page of the form has more information about data privacy.

**If I don't qualify now, may I apply later?** Yes. Please complete a Household Income Statement form at any time if your income goes down, your household size goes up, or you start getting SNAP, MFIP or FDPIR benefits.

If you have other questions or need help, call 218-445-5568.

Sincerely,

**Megan Baity** 

**VACA Administrative Director** 



# **How to Complete the Household Income Statement Form**

Fill out a Child and Adult Care Food Program—Household Income Statement if any of the following apply:

- Any person in your household currently participates in one of these programs: Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP), Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), or
- You have one or more children in foster care in the household (a welfare agency or court has legal responsibility for the child) or
- Your total household income (gross earnings before deductions, not take-home pay) is less than or equal
  to the income shown below for your household size. Include any children in foster care as members of
  the household. Do not include as income: foster care payments, federal education benefits, MFIP
  payments, or value of assistance received from SNAP, WIC or FDPIR. Military: Do not include combat pay
  or assistance from the Military Privatized Housing Initiative. The income guidelines are effective from
  July 1, 2025–June 30, 2026.

# **Maximum Total Income**

Household Size	\$ Annual	\$ Monthly	\$ Twice Per Month	\$ Every Two Weeks	\$ Weekly		
1	28,953	2,413	1,207	1,114	557		
2	39,128	3,261	1,631	1,505	753		
3	49,303	4,109	2,055	1,897	949		
4	59,478	4,957	2,479	2,288	1,144		
5	69,653	5,805	2,903	2,679	1,340		
6	79,828	6,653	3,327	3,071	1,536		
7	90,003	7,501	3,751	3,462	1,731		
8	100,178	8,349	4,175	3,853	1,927		
Add for each additional person	10,175	848	424	392	196		

#### 1. Children to List

List all infants and children in the household and their birthdates, even if they are not related. Attach another page if needed to list all children. Fill in circles to show which children are enrolled at this child care center. If any children are in foster care, fill in the circle.

Providing ethnic and racial information for each child is optional and does not affect approval for CACFP benefits. This information helps to make sure we are fully serving our community.

### 2. Case Number

If any household member currently participates in SNAP, MFIP or FDPIR assistance programs, check the box to indicate which assistance program and write in the corresponding case number. Then go to number 4. If no one in your household participates in SNAP, MFIP or FDPIR, leave number 2 blank and continue on to number 3.

**Note:** Benefits received from Child Care Assistance, Medical Assistance (MA), Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) and Person Master Index (PMI) numbers **do not** qualify for this purpose and cannot be reported on the Household Income Statement in number 2.

### 3. Adults/Incomes/Last Four Digits of Social Security Number

- If any children have regular earning, write in the amount of income and fill in a circle for frequency. Do not write in an hourly wage. Do not include occasional earnings like babysitting or lawn mowing.
- List all adults living in the household (everyone not listed in number 1) whether related or not, such as grandparents, other relatives or friends. Include any adult who is temporarily away from home, like a student away at college. Attach another page if necessary.
- List gross incomes before deductions, not take-home pay. **Do not list an hourly wage rate.** For adults with no income to report, enter a '0' or leave the section blank. This is your certification (promise) that there is no income to report for these adults.
- For each income, fill in a circle to show how often the income is received: weekly, every two weeks, twice per month or monthly. For fluctuating income like seasonal work, list average monthly income.
- For farm or self-employment income **only**, list the net income per year or month after business expenses. A loss from farm or self-employment must be listed as 0 income and does not reduce other income.
- The adult household member signing the form must provide the last four digits of their Social Security number or check the box if they do not have a Social Security Number.

### 4. Signature and Contact Information

An adult household member must sign and date the form.



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# DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION Child and Adult Care Food Program – Child Care Centers Household Income Statement – July 2025

# **Farmer or Self-Employed**

Income is your net income (after deducting business expenses) from farm or self-employment during the year, which is shown on Schedule C or F from the federal tax return. A loss from farm or self-employment must be listed as zero income and does not reduce other household income for the purpose of completing this form.

### **Seasonal Worker**

Income is your expected average gross income before deductions (not take-home pay) from seasonal work during the year. List your average gross income from seasonal work per month or other frequency.

### **Privacy Act Statement / How Information Is Used**

The Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act requires the information on this form. You do not have to give this information but if you do not, we cannot approve your child for free or reduced-price school meals. You must include the last four digits of the Social Security number of the adult household member who signs the application. The last four digits of the Social Security number are not required when you apply on behalf of a child in foster care, or you provide a Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP), Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservation (FDPIR) assistance number, or you indicate that the adult household member signing the application does not have a Social Security number.

Only authorized officials will have access to the information you provide on this form. We will use your information to determine if your child qualifies for free or reduced-price meals, and for administration and enforcement of the program. We may share your information with other education, health and nutrition programs to help them evaluate, fund or determine benefits for their programs, auditors for program reviews and law enforcement officials to help them look into violations of program rules. We require written consent from you before sharing information for other purposes.

While listing your children's race and ethnicity is voluntary, CACFP uses the percentages of participants in each racial and ethnic category to make sure CACFP is operated in a nondiscriminatory manner and in compliance with federal and civil rights laws. The information is not required and will not affect approval of benefits.

### **Nondiscrimination Statement**

In accordance with federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), disability, age or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity.

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Date Verification Sent:	Response Due:	Second Notice:	Result: O No Change O A to B	O A to C O B to A	O B to C
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