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Child-Care and Adult Care Food Program Applications Available

The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (RIDE) is accepting applications from public and private institutions that would like to participate in the federally funded Child and Adult Care Food Program.

Child-care centers, adult day-care centers, and emergency shelters may participate in the Child and Adult Care Food Program, which currently provides nutritious meals to more than 15,600 participants daily at 619 locations statewide through 92 locally sponsored programs.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture funds the Child and Adult Care Food Program. The federal funds allow the centers to provide nutritious meals and snacks at no separate charge to infants, young children, and adults receiving services as well as to infants and children living in emergency shelters.

Sponsoring institutions serve meals at no separate charge to all participants regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, religion, or sexual orientation.

RIDE reimburses programs for each meal served, according to predetermined Department of Agriculture reimbursement rates based on the income levels of the families that the programs serve. RIDE will use the following income guidelines to determine funding through June 30, 2010:

FREE MEALS					REDUCED-PRICE MEALS			
Number in Family	Annual Gross Income	Monthly Gross Income	Biweekly Gross Income	Weekly Gross Income	Annual Gross Income	Monthly Gross Income	Biweekly Gross Income	Weekly Gross Income
1	14,079	1,174	542	271	20,036	1,670	771	386
2	18,941	1,579	729	365	26,955	2,247	1037	519
3	23,803	1,984	916	458	33,874	2,823	1,303	652
4	28,665	2,389	1,103	552	40,793	3,400	1,569	785
5	33,527	2,794	1,290	645	47,712	3,976	1,836	918
6	38,389	3,200	1,477	739	54,631	4,553	2,102	1,051
7	43,251	3,605	1,604	832	61,550	5,130	2,368	1,184
8	48,113	4,010	1,851	926	68,469	5,706	2,634	1,317
Each Add'l Family Member	+4,862	+406	+187	+94	+6,919	+577	+267	+134

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Child and Adult Care Food Program applications and a list of local participating agencies are available from the RIDE Office of Finance, Shepard Building, 255 Westminster Street, Providence, R.I. 02903-3400.

Contact: Kathy A Kendall at (401) 222-8935 or Public Information, (401) 222-8471

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