

August 2026 Newsletter

T & T Tutor World, Inc.

Looking Ahead to Fiscal Year 2027

As we prepare to begin a new federal fiscal year on October 1, 2026, we would like to take a moment to thank each of our participating daycare homes and centers for your continued partnership with T & T Tutor World, Inc. and the Child and Adult Care Food Program. Your commitment to providing nutritious meals and snacks to the children in your care makes a lasting difference every day. We recognize the hard work, dedication, and compassion it takes to operate a successful childcare program while maintaining compliance with CACFP requirements.

Thank you for your continued commitment to serving healthy meals, maintaining accurate program records, and creating safe, nurturing environments where children can learn and thrive. Your dedication helps ensure that thousands of children receive the nutritious meals they need to grow, learn, and succeed.

As we enter a new fiscal year, we look forward to continuing our partnership with you. Together, we will remain committed to supporting children, strengthening our childcare community, and maintaining the highest standards of program integrity. We appreciate you and look forward to another successful year together.

The staff and Management of T & T Tutor World, Inc.

[USDA Non Discrimination Statement](#)

Whole Grain Rich Requirements

Whole Grain Rich (WGR) foods are an important part of the USDA CACFP meal pattern. At least one grain served each day must be Whole Grain Rich. Offering Whole Grain Rich foods helps children receive more fiber, vitamins, and minerals while supporting healthy eating habits.

Examples of Whole Grain Rich foods include:

- Whole wheat bread
- Brown rice
- Oatmeal
- Whole grain pasta
- Whole wheat tortillas
- Whole grain crackers
- Whole grain cereal that meets the CACFP sugar limits

Remember:

- Review ingredient labels before purchasing grain products.
- Grain products listed on your state's WIC Approved Foods List are considered Whole Grain Rich and may be served as the required Whole Grain Rich item.
- You may also use the USDA "Rule of Three" to help determine whether a grain product qualifies as Whole Grain Rich.
- Keep labels, product information, or other supporting documentation on file for all Whole Grain Rich items served.
- If you are unsure whether a product qualifies as Whole Grain Rich, contact your Nutrition Consultant before serving the item.

Helpful Resource:

[USDA Identifying Whole Grain Rich Foods Worksheet](#)

CACFP Tip:

Not every product labeled "wheat," "multigrain," or "made with whole grains" qualifies as Whole Grain Rich. Always review the ingredient list or supporting documentation to verify the product meets USDA requirements before serving it on the CACFP.

Menu Updates and Food Substitutions

Your menu is a record of the foods actually served to participating children. Any time a food substitution is made, the change must be reflected on both the posted menu and the menu entered in KidKare before the meal is served.

Examples of food substitutions include:

- Apples are served instead of bananas.
- Brown rice is served instead of white rice.
- Green beans are served instead of peas.
- Turkey is served instead of chicken.

Whenever a substitution is made:

- Verify the substituted food is creditable and meets the CACFP meal pattern requirements.
- Update the posted menu before the meal is served to reflect the food that will actually be served.
- Update the menu in KidKare before the meal is served.
- Ensure delivery tickets, receipts, and other supporting documentation match the updated menu. (centers)

Remember, your menu must accurately reflect the foods that were actually served to children. Menus that do not match the foods served or the supporting documentation will result in a finding during a review.

CACFP Tip:

Updating your posted menu and KidKare before the meal is served helps ensure your records accurately reflect the foods served and keeps your CACFP documentation in compliance.

South Carolina Centers: Milk Inventory Forms

The Milk Inventory Form is an important record used to support your monthly CACFP claim. It is essential that the information reported on the form is accurate and supported by your milk purchase receipts and meal service records.

When completing your Milk Inventory Form:

- Record the correct beginning inventory for the month.
- Accurately record all milk purchases or donations made during the month by type.
- Verify that all gallon totals are calculated correctly.
- Record the correct ending inventory after all milk served and purchases have been accounted for.
- Review the completed form before submitting it to verify all calculations are accurate.

Remember, the beginning inventory, milk purchased, milk served, and ending inventory should all reconcile. Discrepancies or calculation errors will result in technical assistance or a finding during a review.

CACFP Tip:

Before submitting your monthly claim, compare your Milk Inventory Form with your purchase receipts to ensure all totals are accurate and your documentation is complete.



Updated USDA Nondiscrimination Statement

The USDA has issued an updated Nondiscrimination Statement. The revised poster has been emailed to all participating daycare providers and must replace the previous version currently posted in your daycare.

Please remember:

- Remove and discard the previous USDA Nondiscrimination Statement.
- Post the updated USDA Nondiscrimination Statement in a location that is clearly visible to parents, guardians, visitors, and program officials.
- Ensure the updated statement remains posted at all times while participating in the CACFP.
- If the poster becomes damaged or is no longer legible, replace it immediately.

You can also access the current [USDA Nondiscrimination Statement](#) here.

SC Homes and Centers: Updated WIC Flyer

The South Carolina WIC Program has released an updated WIC Flyer for the 2026 through 2027 program year. The updated flyer has been emailed to all participating South Carolina daycare homes and centers and should replace the previous version currently posted at your facility.

Please remember:

- Remove and discard the previous WIC Flyer.
- Post the updated WIC Flyer in a location that is clearly visible to parents, guardians, and visitors.
- Ensure the flyer remains posted at all times while participating in the CACFP.
- If the flyer becomes damaged or is no longer legible, replace it immediately.

You can also access the current [South Carolina WIC Flyer \(2026–2027\)](#) here.

CACFP Tip:

Review all of your required posted documents on a regular basis to ensure they are current, legible, and displayed in a visible location. Keeping your required postings up to date helps ensure compliance during monitoring reviews.

Updated Day Care Home Provider Handbook



The revised Family Day Care Home Provider Handbook was emailed to all participating daycare home providers. This handbook replaces all previous versions and serves as your primary reference for CACFP requirements, T & T Tutor World, Inc. policies, and program procedures.

Please remember:

- Save the handbook electronically on your computer, tablet, or mobile device.
- Do not delete the email containing the handbook.
- The handbook contains clickable links to important CACFP resources, USDA guidance, forms, and reference materials that you may need throughout the year.
- Ensure any assistant, substitute, or individual responsible for CACFP duties has access to the handbook and understands the requirements that apply to their responsibilities.
- Review the handbook regularly and refer to it whenever you have questions about CACFP requirements or T & T Tutor World, Inc. policies.

CACFP Tip:

Keeping the handbook electronically allows you to quickly access important resources and use the embedded links without searching for information online. It also ensures you always have the most current version available.

Receipt Reminder for Centers

Receipts are an important part of your CACFP documentation and are used to support the meals claimed for reimbursement. Food items listed on your receipts should match the foods recorded on your menus.

To ensure your receipts are complete:

- Submit receipts weekly according to the Receipt Policy.
- Verify each receipt is itemized and includes the vendor, purchase date, total amount, and method of payment.
- Ensure the food items purchased support the meals served during the claim month.

Remember, only creditable food items and approved food service supplies may be charged to the CACFP. Items that are not creditable or are not allowable program costs should not be included.

CACFP Tip:

Review your receipts before submitting them to make sure they are complete, legible, and support the meals recorded on your menu. Accurate documentation helps prevent delays in claim processing and findings during reviews.

President's Corner

August is Health & Safety Month. This is a great time for childcare providers to teach children ages 2–5 simple habits for lifelong health. Through CACFP, children can learn to enjoy healthy foods like fruits, vegetables, whole grains, and milk. Encourage them to drink water throughout the day.

Daily routines help build good habits. Children should wash their hands before eating and after using the restroom. They should cover coughs and sneezes, brush their teeth, and help keep play areas clean.

Safety is also important. Children should walk indoors, not run. They should pick up toys to prevent trips and falls. They should stay with an adult when outside and use playground equipment safely. They should never touch medicine or cleaning products.

Fun activities can support learning. Try handwashing songs, sorting healthy foods, safety walks, "Red Light, Green Light," and clean-up games. When teachers model these habits every day, children learn to follow them. This helps them grow healthy, strong, and safe.

Lillian Kelley, CEO



Stay Audit Ready Every Day

Maintaining accurate and organized records throughout the month makes reviews easier and helps ensure your program remains in compliance with CACFP requirements. Waiting until the end of the month to update records can lead to errors and missing documentation.

Best practices include:

- Complete records as they occur instead of waiting until the end of the day or month.
- Ensure menus, meal counts, receipts, delivery tickets, and other supporting documentation are accurate and consistent.
- Maintain your Food Program Binder and Menu Documentation Binder throughout the month so all required records are complete, current, and easy to locate during a review.
- Review your records regularly to identify and correct any discrepancies before submitting your monthly claim.

Food Program Binder

- Permanent File
- Training Certificates
- Monitoring Reviews
- Monthly Reports (or maintain monthly claim records electronically)
- Enrollment Forms and Income Eligibility Forms (if applicable)

Menu Documentation Binder

- Current Child Nutrition (CN) Labels
- Product Formulation Statements
- Standardized Recipes
- Whole Grain Rich Documentation
- Cereal and Yogurt Documentation
- Milk Substitution Documentation

Remember, your Food Program Binder and Menu Documentation Binder should always be audit ready. Keeping these binders organized and up to date will help ensure you have the documentation needed to support your claim and demonstrate compliance during a review.

CACFP Tip:

Take a few minutes each day to file your CACFP records in the appropriate binder and verify that all required documentation is complete. Staying organized throughout the month makes reviews much easier and helps prevent findings.