

## **[Click Here for your August Training Module](#)**

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**TDA is shutting its system down in Early August for Upgrades. July Claims must be in the Austin Office no later than August 2nd to ensure your payment gets posted on time. Late claims will be paid as an adjustment with the August claim in September.**

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Dear Providers,

We are finally headed into August. One more month until summer is over and we can finally get a break from all this hot weather! Southwest hopes everyone is having a happy and safe summer so far. Here are your notes for August:

### **1) When are the new CACFP Reimbursement Rates coming out?**

A lot of providers have been asking when the new rates will arrive. The new rates usually arrive every July but sometimes it takes the Government a bit longer to come up with the calculations. The old rates apply until we get the new ones but once we do we will let everyone as soon as possible!

### **2) New Meal Time Changes.**

There are some new changes in how you can allocate your mealtimes! Instead of 3 Hours between main meals you can now choose to have 2 hours in between every meal. Also Providers now have the flexibility to serve an early Dinner at 4 pm.

### **3) Texas Tax Free weekend!**

During this annual sales tax holiday, you can buy most clothing, footwear, school supplies and backpacks (sold for less than \$100) tax free from a Texas store or from an online or catalog seller doing business in Texas. In most cases, you do not need to give the seller an exemption certificate to buy qualifying items tax free.

This year's sales tax holiday begins Friday, Aug. 9, and goes through

midnight Sunday, Aug. 11.

The sales tax exemption applies only to qualifying items you buy during the sales tax holiday. Items you buy before or after the sales tax holiday do not qualify for exemption, and there is no tax refund available. For more information [Click Here](#).

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## **Feeding Infants in the Child and Adult Care Food Program**

The Feeding Infants in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) guide is a training tool for CACFP operators with infants enrolled at their child care site. It covers topics such as handling and storing breast milk and infant formula, developmental readiness, hunger and fullness cues, solid foods, and parent communication.

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## **Calendar Orders:**

We have three 2019 Calendars left! Give the Austin office a call at 1-800-369-9082 if you would like one!

[Click Here](#) for the 2019 Calendar Training Modules.

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## **Food Program Resources:**

[CACFP Reimbursement Rates](#)

[Income Standards For Determining Program Eligibility \(UPDATED for 2020\)](#)

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## [Click here for Upcoming Workshops](#)

**Upcoming Workshop Dates: 8/20**

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### **Team Nutrition**

#### **Fueling Children's Healthy Growth, Learning, and Play**

Team Nutrition is an initiative of the USDA Food and Nutrition Service to support the child nutrition programs through training and technical assistance for food service, nutrition education for children and their caregivers, and school and community support for healthy eating and physical activity. [Click Here](#) for more info.

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### **News From Cacfp.org:**

Reminder, comments due Tuesday, July 31st.

CACFP Providers - take one minute right now to make life easier! Support the delay of ounce equivalents for grains. Personalize this model comment below and copy it to the link in this post (or here: [bit.ly/DelayOzEqs](https://bit.ly/DelayOzEqs)

) Comment DONE! after you share your note with USDA.

As a CACFP provider, we need training tools to ensure accuracy and program integrity if we are required to implement the grains "ounce equivalents" New Meal Pattern provision. As there are none available to us from FNS, please approve the USDA proposed rule to delay implementation until October 2021.

It's National Avocado Day! 🥑 Try this yummy avocado toast for snack! So easy, just smash some avocado and spread it on whole wheat toast. [#CACFP](#)

August Snack Attack! Shop now for a week's worth of snacks. Whole Grain-Rich = WGR [#CACFP](#)

WGR crackers and cheese  
WGR tortilla and scrambled eggs  
WGR waffles and strawberries  
WGR pita chips and hummus  
WGR pasta and tomato sauce

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## **The Parent Provider Connection Letters:**

The Parent Provider Connection Letters are a way for providers to communicate with parents. The templates provide activity ideas, nutrition notes and suggestions, and gives the provider an opportunity to specifically mention what their children are working on that month.

[Click Here](#) for this Months Parent Provider Connection Letter! 710088

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## **Mealtime Memo:**

Mealtime Memo for Child Care offers information for child care providers participating in the Child and Adult Care Food Program, focused on good nutrition for young children.

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