

CAREFULLY READ AND REVIEW THE ENTIRE PACKET. ENCLOSED ARE THE FORMS YOU NEED TO FILL OUT AND RETURN.

On the day of your scheduled appointment, you will need to bring the following documents to meet with **Administration** to the center:

- ✓ Child's Current Medical Record (must be completed by doctor)
- ✓ Immunization Card
- Income Verification and Documentation

 (Current Income Tax, PA Card along with a Notarized Letter, 3-6 Pay Stubs, Child Support Letter, Notarized Statement Letter with Income Status)
- ✓ CACFP Food Form (Child and Adult Care Food Program) fill out completely include all income information.
- ✓ Enrollment/Registration CACFP
- ✓ **Original** Child's Birth Certificate (Copies not accepted)
- ✓ Parent Fee Agreement (Contract)
- ✓ Permission for Visits, Pick-Up & Drop-Off
- ✓ BCC Identification Card
- ✓ Family Social/Developmental History
- ✓ Class Schedule with Bursar's Receipt
- ✓ Emergency Contact Form (make sure you sign it)
- ✓ Registration Application
- ✓ Informed Consent Form
- ✓ Permission to photograph



Dear Parents:

On behalf of the BCC Early Childhood Center, I want to welcome you and your child. We are looking forward to an exciting school year.

Please allow me to introduce myself. My name is Jitinder Walia, and I am the Executive Director of the BCC Early Childhood Center. I consider having the opportunity to serve the children, and their parents at BCC as an honor. My office hours are generally Monday through Friday from 7:30am to 3:30pm. I am also available for evening hours. I encourage parents stopping in to say hello, and anticipate meeting your children in the coming weeks. My email address is jitinder.walia@bcc.cuny.edu.

Just a little bit about myself and my extensive experience working with families: I have been in the Early Childhood field for the past 23 years. I have two Master's degrees; one with a concentration in Early Childhood Education and the other in English. I also have a certification in Administration and Supervision. My experience has been working in private daycare centers, with foster children, parents, adolescent, and substance abusing women. I am most proud of being a graduate of CUNY. Ideas and opportunities to continue to enrich our program here at BCC are welcomed.

A key component of a good early childhood program is parent involvement. All parents are encouraged to communicate with their child's teacher on a daily basis. This will ensure all parents are informed of the day's activities, as well as upcoming events in the classroom. Please make sure you check your child's cubbies each day.

The staff has planned a creative curriculum that includes art, music, science, cooking, outdoor play, dramatic play and literacy. In order for your child to participate in all of the activities offered, please have your child arrive at the agreed upon time. This policy will be strictly enforced.

The program provides nutritious meals for the children. **Breakfast will be available only until 9:30am**, lunch is served at approximately 11:30am.

This semester we have a long wait list for childcare. If your child will be absent from school, it is your responsibility to call the center. Please be informed that **excessive absences**, without explanation are **cause for termination of services**. Please let us know of any schedule changes, or if you need to withdraw your child.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to set up an appointment. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Jitinder Walia

Executive Director



Dear Parent,

You have been selected to **begin the enrollment process** at the BCC Early Childhood Center. We hope that this will be the beginning of a long and rewarding relationship for us all. Before your child can actually be accepted into our center, however, there are some things you need to do and to know:

- 1. First, please CAREFULLY REVIEW THIS PACKET. In it are forms that you need to fill out and return on the day of your appointment. (You must complete all forms and return them to us before your child can be formally accepted into our program.)
- 2. Then, <u>Call to schedule an appointment to register your child.</u> PLEASE CALL ADMINISTRATION WITH ANY QUESTIONS AT 718-289-5461.
- **3. NOTE!** To insure full classrooms at our center, we often select more parents to begin enrollment than we have immediate room for. This means two things. First, the more quickly you respond and complete the enrollment process, the sooner your child will be able to begin. And second, there is a chance that we will need to place you on our <u>Priority Waiting List</u> until a space opens in a classroom that is age appropriate for your child. Once you are on the Priority Waiting List, your child will automatically be accepted as soon as space becomes available.

These forms must be completed and returned to the office on the day of your appointment:

- Child's Medical Record needs to be completed by your doctor or clinic (Must have doctor stamp and hospital or clinic stamp)
- Proof of Income (Acceptable proof includes: Current Tax Return, Pay Stub, PA Card, Notarized Letter of Support w/Income Tax, Unemployment Papers)
- Parent Fee Agreement (Contract)
- Informed Consent Form signed
- CACFP Food Form (USDA)
- CACFP Enrollment Form
- BCC Identification Card
- Child's Birth Certificate
- Registration Application
- Permission for Visits, Pick-Up and Drop-Off
- Family/Social/Development History
- Emergency Contact Form
- Permission to Photograph
- Your Complete Class Schedule

Most of these forms are required by law. But they also help us bring in the funding that keeps our parent fees low and help us protect and meet the needs of your child. Again, please be sure to have all requested forms completed and signed before returning.

The forms in this packet will help you better understand the policies and the educational philosophy of the BCC Early Childhood Center.

Sincerely, The BCC Early Childhood Center



REGISTRATION APPLICATION BCC EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

This application is the first step toward enrolling your child in the Early Childhood Center at Bronx Community College. If you are called, you will need to contact us immediately (by telephone or in person) to schedule a visit to the Center for you and your child. Please note that there will also be additional forms to fill out. The full process must be completed before your child can be accepted in our program.

Information on this side refers to the PARENT (BCC Student). Please Print Clearly.						
Parent's Name					SS#: <u>XXX</u> /	<u>'_XX/</u>
Parent's Name(_ast)	(First)	(Middle I	nitial)		
Parent's Address						
					(Apt. #)	
				()	(Telephone)
(City)	(State)	(Zip (Code)		((Telephone)
Major		E	2mail:			
Please attach If your child is accep Have you been award If yes, please list the nar	ted, you will ed Federal W	need to pro /ork Study?	vide a curr Y	ent s ES	chedule fo NO	
EMERGENCY CONTAC	T (if parents ca	annot be read	ched)			
(Print Name	•)	()	(Telephone	#)		(Relationship to the child
I have read and complet	ed this applica	tion fully and	carefully.			
(Signa	ture)					(Date)

REMEMBER TO FILL OUT BOTH SIDES OF THIS APPLICATION

Information on th	nis side refers to <u>CHI</u>	<u>LD</u> for whom the s	ervices will be	e provided. Please print:
Child's Name				/_/
Child's Age Child's Address	(Last) Male	(First) Female	(M.	I.) (Date of Birth)
		(Street Number)		(Apt. #)
(City)	(State)	(Zip Co	ode)	() (Telephone)
Parental Info.	Mother/0	Guardian	Fa	ather/Guardian
Name				
Date of Birth				
Occupation				
Work Address				
Daytime Phone #				
Email Address				
Marital Status:	(check one)			
Single	Marri	ed	Separated	Divorced
Other Members o	of the household	ł		
Full Name		Birth Date	Age	Relationship to Child
Are there any oth	ner important a	dults in your o	hild's life?	
Previous Experience Outside Home	v	Vhere?	Нс	ow Frequently?

Public/Private School	
Family Day Care	
Extra Curricular	
Other	

Reaction to experience away from home:

REMEMBER TO FILL OUT BOTH SIDES OF THIS APPLICATION



TUITION POLICY

Tuition

Bronx Community College Early Childhood Center offers childcare at a heavily subsidized rate of \$5 per day. Along with our rates, there is also a New Student registration fee of \$25. Every semester after, there will be a re-enrollment fee of \$15. Tuition is calculated based on the total number of weeks in your enrolled semester. How do I calculate the number of weeks per semester? That's easy, the answer is:

- Fall & Spring Semester = 16 weeks
- Winter Semester = 4 weeks
- Summer Semester = 4-8 weeks (depending on the calendar year)

NOTE: Some courses may extend longer than others, in this event; your tuition will reflect the total number of weeks for that course.

Tuition <u>MUST</u> be paid prior to your child's identified start date. It may be paid in full or in installments on the on the 23^{rd} of each month during your enrolled semester. All payments should be made at the Bursars office. Unpaid tuition will result in an interruption of services and will remain interrupted until the balance is satisfied.

*HRA vouchers are gladly accepted

Request for Tuition Reimbursement

Partial tuition reimbursement is provided to eligible student-parents and must be approved by the Executive Director. Eligibility requirements state that you notify the childcare center of any changes to your class schedule including withdrawals no later than two weeks into your enrolled semester. You may request a schedule change form from the childcare center.

Record keeping

You are responsible for maintaining an accurate record of your validated receipts. Do not discard of your receipts as it will assist in verifying payments made toward your account.



PARENT FEE AGREEMENT

****PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR PROOF OF INCOME****

(Current Income Tax, Paycheck Stubs, PA Card, Notarized Statement Letter)

PARENT'S SOCIAL SECURITY #: <u>XXX</u> / <u>XX</u> /

Circle one: FULL TIME / PART TIME NUMBER IN HOUSEHOLD: 2 3 4 5 6 FALL / SUMMER I / SUMMER II / SPRING _____

I/We, _____ parent(s)/legal guardian(s) of (Parent / Guardian's name)

_____ enter this agreement with the BCC

(Child's name)

Early Childhood Center located at 2155 University Avenue, Bronx, NY 10453 for the provision of child care. I/We agree to the following terms:

- 1. I agree to pay the Center a New Student registration fee of **\$25.00.** (This fee is **not** refundable.)
- 2. I agree to pay the Center a re-enrollment fee of \$15.00 every time I re-enroll my child/ren.
- 3. I agree to pay the Center a subsidized fee of **\$5.00** per day for childcare services. (*This fee should be paid to the bursars' office monthly)
- 4. I affirm that I am a BCC student majoring in ______ and I am presently taking # ______ course hours.
- 5. These amounts listed are based on family size of _____ and gross annual income of \$

6. THE CENTER RESERVES THE RIGHT TO TERMINATE THE CONTRACT TO PROVIDE CHILDCARE AT WILL.

Parent's Signature

Date

NO REFUND FOR NON-ATTENDANCE

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For Office Use: Registration Fee <u>\$ 25.00</u>



EMERGENCY IDENTIFICATION FORM

CHILD'S INFORMATION

	D.O.B:
Social Security. #: xxx - xx -	AND OR/LEGAL GUARDIAN INFORMATION
Cell Phone #: ()	
	EMERGENCY CONTACT 1
Home Phone #: Cell Phone #:	Date of Birth:
Name:	EMERGENCY CONTACT 2 Date of Birth:
Home Phone #: Cell Phone #:	
Relationship to child:	

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY; SIGN YOUR NAME AND DATE WHERE INDICATED

I hereby grant permission for the Director or a member of the professional staff of The Early Childhood Center at Bronx Community College, to take whatever steps may be necessary to obtain emergency medical care if warranted. These steps may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- a. Contact student-parent on campus.
- b. Contact persons listed on emergency form/card submitted to the Center.
- c. Obtain emergency medical care or referral from the Bronx Community College Health Services Center.
- d. Transportation by emergency medical vehicle to nearest hospital.
- e. NOTE: People on the Emergency Contact List may not Pick-up or Drop off your child/ren.

The Center will not be responsible for anything that may happen as a result of false information given at the time of enrollment.

The Center will not assume responsibility for a child who has not signed in when he/she arrives for the day.

SIGNE: ______ DATE: ______ DATE: ______



FAMILY/SOCIAL/DEVELOPMENTAL HISTORY

Child's Name	Date of Birth		
Mother (Stepmother or Guardian)		D.O.B:	
Address	(Include Maiden Na		
Address	Telephone #	¥	
Occupation	Birt	hplace	
Father (Stepfather or Guardian) Address		D.O.B:	
		¥	
Occupation	Birthplace_		
Is the child your birth child? For Does your child know he/she is adopted	ster or adopted??	At what age?	
Marital Status of Parents: (Check all t	hat apply)		
Never married? Married? Seperated? How Long? Custody / visiting arrangements? Yes/N	Divorced?	ner? How Long? How Long?	
Explain:			
Is mother or father married or living wit Explain	-		
Brothers and Sisters of Child:			
Name			
Name	D.O.B	Lives in home?	
Other persons living in the household (in	nclude relationship	p and age?)	
Who cares for child other than parents?			
Health History:			
How would you describe your child's ov	verall health?		
What past illnesses has your child had an	nd at what ages?		
What hospitalizations or serious acciden	ts has your child	had?	
Does your child have frequent colds? Stomach aches? Other illnesses?		High fevers?	

Is your child receiving special services? (If yes, please attach the supporting documentation)

<u>Social / Developmental History:</u>			
At what age did your child: Walk?	Talk in	simple sentence	s?
Become toilet trained?		Dress self	?
Speech:			
Does your child express his/her self well?	If r	ot, what difficu	lties is your child having
with his/her speech?			
What language(s) does your child speak?			
Eating:			
How is your child's appetite? Good	fair	poor	irregular
Food favorites?			
Food dislikes?			
Does child feed self? Fork?	Spoo	on?	_
What if any dietary restrictions do your family have	ve?		
Food allergies?			
Sleeping:			
What time does your child go to bed?		Get up?	
What time does your child go to bed? Where does your child sleep? In own room?		In room with	?
In own bed? In bed wit	h?		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
In own bed? In bed wit Does your child sleep through the night?		Have	bad dreams?
If yes, describe?	· · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Does your child have toilet control? Personality: How would you describe your child's personality?			
How does your child act with adults?	·····		
What are your child's gracial interact?			
What are your child's special interests?			<u></u>
What are your child's fears?			
Discipline:			
What method of discipline is used in your home?			
What is your child's usual reaction?			
What is your child's usual reaction? In what area does your child have the most difficu			
What do you do to get your child to cooperate?			
<u>Play/ Activities:</u>			
What is your child's favorite: Indoor play activitie	25?		
Outdoor play activitie	ties?		
Outdoor play activi Has your child had group play experience?		Where?	
What does your child watch on TV?		_ ** nore :	
What play activities does your child dislike?			
SIGNATURE:DAT			



I Parent's Na	_, PARENT OF	,
Parent's Na	me	Child's Name
Do hereby give permission for:		
Print Name:	Relation to child:	Number:
D.O.B.		Take my child out of the center.
Print Name:	Relation to child:	Number:
D.O.B		Take my child out of the center.
Print Name:	Relation to child:	Number:
D.O.B		Take my child out of the center.

(if applicable).

Parent's Signature: Date: _____

Changes made and/or addition/date:

Permission to Photograph

"Because science is so intriguing, young children are eager to learn new words they can use to describe what they see, touch, smell, and hear. Their investigations support a variety of early literacy experiences. Young children can be encouraged to talk about their explorations and observations or to report on their findings through drawings, words, *photographs*, and even graphs and charts."

Young Children - September 2005

Please note that as an early childhood program supporting young children's natural approach to learning, we will on occasion use photography to document activities/projects, allowing the children to reflect and discuss their work. In addition, as a very diverse community of learners (child and adult), we like to share with parents and the College Community, who we are and what we do here on campus. In order for us to do this, we ask that you please consider completing the below permission form (which may be revoked by you at any time) that will allow your child to be included in photography for the purposes described above. Please note that all photos remain protected by the Center from unapproved access and usage and will not appear in any publication (including the website) without further parental approval.

Thank you.

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Semester:	
Jennester.	

_____ Child's Class _____

Parents: _____

Child(ren) Name(s): _____

Please Circle one:

I do/do not give permission to The Early Childhood Center at Bronx Community College to use my child(ren) in photographs for brochures, websites, collages, or any other media.

Parent's Signature:	Date:

Verified by: _____



INFORMED CONSENT FORM

Access

I will be able to visit my child in the classroom at any time except for nap-time (12pm-2pm).

Arrival and Departure

If enrolled in the preschool program, I will make sure that my child arrives at the Center no earlier than 15 minutes prior to the start of my scheduled class. To ensure my child's safety, the center will only accept my child from or release my child to those persons I have authorized on the Emergency Release Form. I will pick up my child no later than 15 minutes after my last class scheduled ends for the day. I am also aware that the Early Childhood Center closes at 5:30PM sharp and will pick up my child no later than 15 minutes prior to close (if applicable). I am also aware that there is no drop-off between 11:00am-1:45pm.

Staff

Qualified staff will be present at all times in staffto-child ratios meeting the New York City Department of Health regulations.

<u>Meals</u>

Children will be served a full breakfast and lunch. Meals are provided by the food service program. Menus will be available on a regular basis. I am allowed to bring food from outside provided that the food is healthy and follows the guidelines set by the Department of Health.

<u>Trips</u>

I give permission for my child to participate in walks around the college or in the area with appropriate staff supervision.

<u>Media Images</u>

I give consent for the Center to use media images (i.e. photographs, videotapes) for documentation of the classroom program, research, public education, promotion and news reports. I will be asked for additional permission before my child is *individually identified* in a published photograph.

<u>Research</u>

BCC students and faculty and those from other colleges may conduct observational research of my child. If my child is to participate in any interactive research, I will be asked to sign a release.

Emergency and Medical Procedures

In case of illness, I will be called and possibly required to pick up my child as soon as possible. In case of simple injury, (abrasion, skinned knees, splinters, etc.), the center staff will perform routine first aid measures, such as washing wounds and applying bandages. I will be informed when I arrive to pick up my child any incidents and the actions taken. In case of a medical emergency, I will be called and will take responsibility for obtaining the necessary medical treatment. I f, in the judgment of the Center staff, circumstances require immediate or professional care, 911 services will be called by BCC's Office of Public Safety. In the event emergency treatment is required I give consent for my child to be taken to a nearby medical facility for treatment of an injury or illness occurring within the program is my responsibility.

Children's Records

All children's records are kept confidential. U pon written request, I may receive a copy of my child's records. Except in the case of appropriate state and city officials, who have the right to inspect center files at any time, my child's records will not be released to anyone unless authorized by me in writing.

Group Care and My Child

To the best of my knowledge, my child has no condition that restricts his/her full participation in the Center program. If in the future any restrictions are necessary, I will inform the Center in writing.

The Center adheres to the guidelines of the Americans with Disabilities act. We serve children who are able to function in a group setting and will make every effort to facilitate this. However, occasionally, if we are unable to meet the needs of a particular child, the Center may ask the family to withdraw their child.

Child Abuse and Neglect

The Center operates accordingly to a plan designed to protect children from any danger of abuse or neglect. Center staff members are required by law to report to the State's Child Abuse and Maltreatment Hotline any evidence that a child has been or is in danger of being abused or neglected.

Parent Handbook

The *Parent Handbook* provides a full description of the policies and procedures of the Center's program and is an official statement, along with this Informed Consent Form, of what parents may expect from the program. Parents need to familiarize themselves with the information contained in the *Parent Handbook*.

D.O.B.

I have read and agree to the terms of this consent form:

Print Child's Name

Parent/Guardian Signature	Print Parent/Guardian Name	Date
	BCC Early Childhood Administrator	Date



This day care facility participates in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP), a Federal program that provides healthy meals and snacks to children receiving day care.

Each day more than 2.6 million children participate in CACFP at day care homes and centers across the country. Providers are reimbursed for serving nutritious meals that meet USDA requirements. The program plays a vital role in improving the quality of day care and making it more affordable for low-income families.

Meals CACFP homes and centers follow meal requirements established by USDA.

Breakfast	Lunch or Supper	Snacks (Two of the four groups:)
Milk	Milk	Milk
Fruit or Vegetable	Meat or meat alternate	Meat or meat alternate
Grains or Bread	Grains or bread	Grains or bread
	Two different servings of	Fruit or vegetable
	fruits or vegetables	U U

Participating Many different homes and centers operate CACFP and share the common goal of bringing nutritious meals and snacks to participants. Participating facilities include:

- Child Care Centers: Licensed or approved public or private nonprofit child care centers, Head Start programs, and some for-profit centers.
- Family Day Care Homes: Licensed or approved private homes.
- Afterschool Care Programs: Centers in low-income areas provide free snacks to school-age children and youth.
- Homeless Shelters: Emergency shelters provide food services to homeless children.

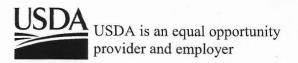
Eligibility State agencies reimburse facilities that offer non-residential day care to the following children:

- children age 12 and under,
- migrant children age 15 and younger, and
- youths through age 18 in afterschool care programs in needy areas.

Contact If you have questions about CACFP, please contact one of the following:

Sponsoring Organization

State Director, NYS CACFP NYS Department of Health Division of Nutrition 150 Broadway FL 6 West Albany, NY 12204-2719 1-800-942-3858 (in NY only) 518-402-7400





ENROLLMENT/REGISTRATION CACFP Continuing Student
Child's Name:
Male or Female Date of Birth Home Phone
Home Address:
Mother/Guardian Name
Father/Guardian Name
Parent/Guardian Address/Phone number if different than children
In case of emergency notify / Telephone #:
Second person to notify / Telephone #:
Physician name / Telephone #:
-Breakfast is served at 8:30 am
-Lunch is served at 11:30 am
-Afternoon snack will be served between 3:00 and 3:30 PM
What days/times will your child usually be at the center? <i>Arrival am/pm</i>
M T W Th F Departure am/pm
A menu is available on a regular basis. If your child is in care during these times, he or she will receive the meal or snack that is being served.

Dear Parent, Guardian or CACFP Participant:

This center participates in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) and serves nutritious meals each operating day. The information requested on the attached Income Eligibility Form for Child Care or Adult Day Care Centers determines how much reimbursement this center will receive from CACFP for these meals and snacks, based on the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) family income criteria listed below.

We encourage you to complete the form promptly so your center can maximize its reimbursement for healthy meals and snacks. One form needs to be completed for each household every year except for children enrolled in Head Start or At-Risk Only programs. All information on the form will be confidential and used only for the purpose of determining CACFP reimbursement for meals and snacks served at this center.

Foster children are automatically eligible for the highest rate of reimbursement from CACFP. Households with both foster and non-foster children in day care may complete one form, including the foster child as a household member. Eligibility determination for the non-foster children will be based on the information reported on the form by the household.

HOUSEHOLD	REDUCED-PRICE MEALS								
SIZE	YEAR	MONTH	WEEK						
1	21,978	1,832	423						
2	29,637	2,470	570						
3	37,296	3,108	718						
4	44,955	3,747	865						
5	52,614	4,385	1,012						
6	60,273	5,023	1,160						
7	67,951	5,663	1,307						
8	75,647	6,304	1,455						
For each additional family member	+7,696	+642	+148						

INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES (Effective July 1, 2018 until June 30, 2019)

Sponsor/Center Official

Sponsoring Organization

Date

In accordance with Federal Law and US Department of Agriculture policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. To file a complaint of discrimination, write USDA, Director, Office of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20250-9410 or call toll free (866) 632-9992 (Voice). Individuals who are hearing impaired or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339 or (800) 845-6136 (Spanish). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.



See INSTRUCTIONS on reverse.

CHILD CARE CENTER NAME: Bronx Community Co	llege Early Childhood Center							
Print the name of the child(ren) enrolled in this child care center:								
1 2	3							
DIRECTIONS:								
 Complete SECTION A if anyone in your household: Receives Food Stamps Receives Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) Participates in the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) OR If any of the children enrolled in this child care center are foster children 	Complete SECTION B if no one in your household receives Food Stamps, TANF, FDPIR or if none of the children enrolled in the child care center is a foster child.							
SECTION A	SECTION B							
Food Stamp Case Number TANF Number FDPIR Number Names of	List all household members below. Include yourself and all adults and children NOT listed above, even if they do not receive income. Then list all income received last month in your household in the column to the right. Gross income includes: earnings from work, pensions, retirement, Social Security, child support, foster child's personal income and any other sources of income.							
Foster Children	Name of Household Members Monthly Gross Income							
An adult household member must sign the application before it can be approved. After reading the following statement and the statement on the back, sign below. I certify that the above information is true. I understand that the center will get Federal funds based on the information I give. Signature:	1. \$							
Date:	5 \$							
FOR SPONSOR USE ONLY	6 \$							
Sponsor Agreement Number Total Household Members (including foster children, if applicable) Total Income \$ Free Reduced Paid Date Determined / Signature of Center Staff	An adult household member must sign the application before it can be approved. After reading the following statement and the statement on the back, sign below. I certify that the above information is true and that all income is reported. I understand that the center will get Federal funds based on the information I give. Signature: Print Name: SS# XXX-XX- Date:							

Privacy Act Statement: The Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act requires the information on this form. You do not have to give the information, but if you do not, we cannot approve the participant for free or reduced-price meals. You must include the last four digits of the Social Security Number of the adult household member who signs the form. The Social Security Number is not required when you apply on behalf of a foster child or you list a Food Stamps, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) number for the participant or other (FDPIR) identifier or when you indicate that the adult household member signing the form does not have a Social Security Number. We will use your information to determine if the center is eligible for free or reduced-price meal reimbursement and for administration and enforcement of the Program.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING DOH-3688

Definition of Income

Income means income before deductions for income taxes, social security taxes, insurance premiums, charitable contributions, and bonds, etc. It includes the following: (1) monetary compensation for services, including wages, salary, commissions or fees; (2) net income from non-farm self-employment; (3) net income from farm self-employment; (4) Social Security payments; (5) dividends or interest on savings or bonds, income from estates or trusts or net rental income; (6) unemployment compensation; (7) government civilian employee or military retirement, or pensions or veteran's payments; (8) private pensions or annuities; (9) alimony or child support payments; (10) regular contributions from persons not living in the household; (11) net royalties; (12) military benefits received in cash, such as housing allowance except if you are in the Military Housing Privatization Initiative; and (13) any other cash income.

Definition of Household

Household means *family* as defined in Section 226.2. *Family* means a group of related or non-related individuals who are not residents of an institution or boarding house, but who are living as one economic unit.

Instructions for Parents or Guardians:

Write in the name of the child care center in the space provided.

Print the name of each child in your household who attends this child care center.

Section A: If anyone in your household receives Food Stamps, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) or participates in the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), complete Section A only. Write down the Food Stamp, TANF or FDPIR number (do not use your ACS or DSS child care subsidy number). Then sign and date the form and return it to the day care center.

Foster children: If your household includes a foster child who is in child care, write in the names of the foster children.

Section B: Complete this section if you did not complete Section A. Write in your name and the names of all other adults and children living in the household, including unrelated people, even if they do not have any income. Do not include the children in child care who are listed at the top of the form.

Enter the amount of income each person received **last month**, before taxes or anything else was taken out. Refer to the Definition of Income and the Definition of Household, above. If any amount last month was more or less than the usual, write in that person's usual income.

The last four digits of the Social Security Number of the adult signing the certification is required. If you do not have a Social Security Number, write *none*. The form must be signed by an adult member of the household.

Instructions for Centers and Sponsors:

The For Sponsor Use Only section is to be completed, signed and dated by center or sponsor staff. The sponsor/center representative must review the income eligibility form and ensure that it is completed as indicated in the instructions above. Then indicate the following:

The Sponsor Agreement Number.

Total Household Members – This item does not have to be completed if the parent completed Section A. Add those indicated in Section B (if completed) to the children enrolled in child care and the number of foster children, if applicable.

Total Income – This item does not need to be completed if the parent completed Section A. Indicate the total monthly income as calculated from Section B. If the parent chooses not to disclose income, the form must be categorized as *paid*.

Free, Reduced or Paid – Compare the total household income and the total number of household members with the current year's Income Eligibility Guidelines (CACFP-3687) to determine if the household should be categorized as **Free, Reduced** or **Paid**. Use the appropriate column on the CACFP-3687 to categorize their income. For example, if the parent indicated biweekly income, multiply this amount by 26 to determine yearly income.

Incomplete forms (missing signatures, income information, or Food Stamp, TANF or FDPIR numbers) are categorized in the paid category.

The income eligibility form is valid until the last day of the month one calendar year from the date it is signed by the household member. For example, a form signed on May 12, 2011 is valid until May 31, 2012.



What Parents Should Know About the Benefits of the Child and Adult Care Food Program

The child care facility you have chosen is a participant in the **Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)**. The main goal of this program is to insure that children in participating child care centers and family child care homes receive healthful meals and snacks and child care providers receive training in nutrition. Children and providers learn about food and healthy eating. Only 100% juice shall be permitted and children shall receive no more than six (6) ounces per day. This is why we are asking you not to bring in fast food for your child to eat.

Nutrition is an important part of good child care and a healthy lifestyle. All children need well-planned meals and snacks that provide a variety of foods and the nutrients needed for good health and energy. The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), through the New York State Department of Health, helps child care providers pay for meals and snacks that meet nutrition requirements for breakfast, lunch or supper, and snacks. A meal pattern outlines the kinds and amounts of food that must be served. Training and educational programs are also offered to child care providers that participate on the CACFP.

Child care facilities on this program:

- Care about good nutrition for children
- Plan nutritious meals and snacks
- Help children learn and feel positive about food and eating

You should also know that:

- 1. We as your provider may ask you to complete certain forms required by CACFP.
- 2. We do not provide any substitutes. If your child is allergic to certain foods please inform the center at registration so a note can be made for classroom teachers. Please make sure everything is labeled properly with child's name when sending food from home.
- 3. To help manage the program better, you may be contacted at some time and asked about the type and quality of meals that your child receives while in care.
- 4. We cater our food from a private vendor and will be glad to provide menus for meals and snacks to you.

Working together, we can help your child establish healthful food habits that will last a lifetime. You may receive other information from us that will suggest ways you can help your child learn about food and healthy eating. As a parent, you are the most important teacher your child will ever have. By practicing good health habits, including healthy eating, you can give your child a head start on a healthy lifestyle.

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