



Happy Father's Day!

Sending our appreciation to all the fathers, particularly those who care for the children of other people, in addition to their own. You are important, you are essential, you are loved beyond measure.

Father's Day is June 19th



Ideas to inspire a keepsake card for Dad.

Experiencing a Food Shortage?

If your grocery store does not have the correct fat content of milk or other food components available, please add notes to your claim to document any food shortage items and list what was served instead of the required item. You may be reimbursed for the meals that otherwise would not be creditable if shortages are documented. If you have any questions about what details to include when food shortages occur, call the office staff before submitting your claim.



Online resources from CACFP.org

CACFP.org is the website for the National CACFP Sponsors Association. Activity pages, Recipes, and more at your fingertips.

[CACFP Menu Templates](#)
[Infant & Toddler Feeding Resources](#)

Recycled Bird Feeder Craft Ideas

With a quick Google-search you can find many options to help children create a bird feeder using a recycled material like: sticks, dowels, empty milk cartons, plastic bottles, or paper towel tubes. Of course, children will enjoy decorating the feeder with leftover paints, or natural items.

The photos below may give you inspiration.



BIRD FEEDERS to make with kids



This institution is an equal opportunity provider.



CLAIMS CORNER

CLAIMS

We want you to receive the most money possible each month. Claims Corner has useful reminders and hints to help you do just that.

- Reminder: Child Enrollment Forms (CEF) must be renewed annually for each child in care to reflect any changes in a child's hours or meals served and/ or when there is a change of address or phone of parent/guardian. Enrollment renewals are a USDA requirement for all participants.
- Minute Menu KidKare software does not allow the provider to make updates to a child's profile information. When changes occur, please let Sue (in the Colorado Wildwood office) know, and she will make updates as necessary in the KidKare system.
- Training for Food Program participants is renewed each year. The training year runs from October 1, 2021 through Sept 1, 2022.
-

***The last day Wildwood can receive original WY & CO April claims for processing is June 25, 2022.**

***The last day Wildwood can receive original WY & CO May claims for processing is July 23, 2022.**

Tier 1 Waiver set to expire June 30th 2022

Beginning July 1, 2021 all licensed family child care providers participating in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP received Tier 1 reimbursement for meals served to all children (except the provider's own) through June 30, 2022.

Providers who do not qualify for Tier 1 reimbursement by either household income, free & reduced school meal data, or census will resume Tier 2 rates beginning July 1, 2022.

Note: This waiver does not include child care centers.

When school ends, please let Wildwood staff know the date of the last day of school for children in your care.

Unfortunately, there are too many schools to manually verify.

We appreciate your help with this task.



Impact of the Infant Formula Recall

By Cindy Long, Administrator, USDA Food & Nutrition Service

There are few things that worry a parent more than their children's health and safety. The ongoing infant formula shortage due to supply chain issues, which worsened due to a [major formula recall in February](#), has left many caregivers feeling concerned about their options for safely feeding infants.



Families receiving formula through the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children, commonly known as WIC, are among the many affected by the recall. The Biden-Harris Administration and USDA's Food and Nutrition Service are taking [many actions](#) to help ensure WIC participants can get safe formula to nourish their babies.

Some steps you can take to ensure the safety of infant formula include:

- Learn more about [choosing an infant formula](#) that's safe for your baby.
- [Do not feed your baby cow's milk](#) or other non-dairy milks until 1 year old, unless you've talked to your child's pediatrician.
- Don't make homemade infant formula or water down formula; there are [serious health and safety](#) concerns.
- Do not buy formula online that comes from outside the U.S., which could be [counterfeit](#), have a fake label or a wrong use-by date.
- [Prepare and store infant formula](#) according to the manufacturer's instructions; do not [water down](#) formula.
- Properly [clean, sanitize and store infant feeding items](#).
- Always [wash your hands](#) before and after handling formula and feeding items.
- Talk to your pediatrician about introducing complementary foods by 6 months (no earlier than 4 months). Visit [MyPlate](#) to learn more.

Please note: Only medical professionals are qualified to provide advice on acceptable alternatives to formulas that may currently be difficult to find. The American Academy of Pediatrics offers [tips for parents and caregivers who are struggling to find baby formula during the shortage](#). Please talk with your pediatrician about safe and appropriate feeding alternatives for your child if needed.

The Food and Nutrition Service takes seriously its role in making sure infants served by FNS programs, including WIC, have access to the safe, healthy food they need to thrive. We are committed to helping families navigate this difficult time.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.