March 15-21, 2020 Celebrate CACFP Week!



www.cacfpweek.org

What is CACFP Week?

CACFP Week is a national education and information campaign sponsored annually the third week of March by the National CACFP Sponsors Association. The campaign is designed to raise awareness of how the USDA's Child and Adult Care Food Program works to combat hunger. The CACFP brings healthy foods to tables across the country for children in child care centers, homes, and afterschool programs as well as adults in day care.

It's Time to Celebrate!



Click here for a Letter to share CACFP week info with parents Print a **Certificate of AWESOMENESS** for you and your staff

Serving over 4.6 million children healthy meals and snacks daily.

Resources from National CACFP 2020 Circus Acts: Lessons for Life Calendar

March Parent Connections Link March Circus Acts Child Activities Link Monthly Motivation Poster Link

Visit www.CACFP.org for more resources



Coffee Filter Butterflies

Step-by-step Instructions:

- 1. Have children color bright lines or patterns on white, paper coffee filters with water-color markers. (The color will bleed through, so put paper on a washable surface)
- 2. After the coloring is done, wet the coffee filters by spritzing lightly with water from a spray bottle or using an eyedropper. Watch the magic as the colors spread and blend together. (again, the color will likely bleed through)
- Allow to dry, a couple hours or overnight
- Fold the dry filters in an accordion pattern, like a fan, back and forth with about 1 inch between the folds.
- Gather the center of the filter together both vertically and horizontally and secure with colorful pipe-cleaners (chenille stems) to create the "Body" of the butterfly, allowing a little space for movement/adjustment of the wings.
- Gently spread out the colorful 'wings' of each butterfly.
- Curl the extra length of the pipe cleaner around your finger to create antennae for the butterfly.
- Hang in the windows, doorways, or from the ceiling (if allowed) to create stunning, yet simple spring-time art.

Read Eric Carle's *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* to continue the lesson and talk about the changes that caterpillar go through to become butterflies.





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

In order to process claims by the state deadline, your paperwork or online claim must arrive in our Colorado office by the 5th of the month. Submitting claims sooner is appreciated. We have many claims to review and very little time to do so. Claims received after the 5th will be processed as "late" and paid with the following month. This is because meal reimbursement funds are paid to Wildwood only once each month by the state office, and any late claims are not included with the payment.

Reminder that neither homemade or commercially produced granola bars can be served for reimbursement in the food program.

*The last day we can receive original January claims for processing is March 24, 2019.

*The last day we can receive original February claims for processing is April 24, 2019.

How to see CACFP Payments for Income Tax Reporting

1. Log in to your KidKare account

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- 2. Select Reports from the options at the top
- 3. Choose Claim Statements from the list
- 4. Click on Tax Report to see your yearly details



Referral Bonus! Do you know providers who are not participating in the food program? Help us make a connection by sharing your positive experience and referring them to your field representative or the Wildwood office. After your referral joins Wildwood and submits their first claim, you will receive your choice of 2 hours of training from our PAID courses as a Bonus. Together we help small businesses!

Make tax time easier for your clients

Provide <u>a W-10 form</u> showing the amount paid for childcare through the year. A blank W-10 form can be found under "Forms and document" for Homes on our website.

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Standard Precautions Training Discount

To reward our actively claiming providers on the Wildwood Food Program, we are offering a special 50% discount on Standard Precautions training for 2020. Standard Precautions training is required for all Colorado providers annually.

To take advantage of this offer, call the office and ask for the ½ price special. We'll help place your order at the discounted price. This offer is only valid for child care providers participating on the Wildwood Food Program.

If you haven't used our website recently, there are many helpful tools available at the click of your mouse. From our recipe book to W-10 tax forms to give each of your clients at the end of the year. Poke around on the website, you never know what you might find.

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