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President's Message

NEW MEAL PATTERN RELEASED

Implementation Scheduled for October 2017

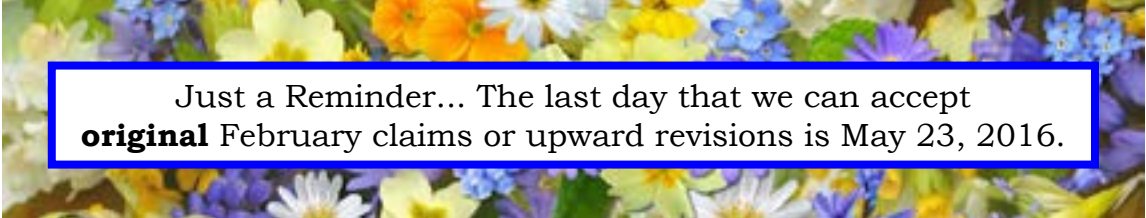
The new meal patterns have been released by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). We will review all of the changes and develop training, materials and be ready to start using the meal pattern in October of 2017. Though there are no major or costly changes (like in School Lunch), we have almost a year and a half to fully understand what the changes are!

We will keep you updated with information as it becomes available. As always, we are here to answer any questions that you may have! The final rule may be found at www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/meals-and-snacks

Wildwood Garden Contest

It's not too late; you can still participate in our garden contest. Go to wildwoodonline.org, hover on the "News" header, click on Forms & Docs from the drop down menu, and click on Photo Release Form. Have your parents sign the form and send it to me – via fax, email attachment, or regular mail. We will use the winners' picture in our newsletter and at our Annual Conference of the children in the garden. The winners will win – 1st prize is \$100, 2nd prize is \$75 and 3rd prize is \$50. You can plant gardens on any scale – using milk cartons, a section of your yard, or a full blown raised garden bed! You could plant theme gardens: a Pizza Garden with tomatoes, sweet peppers, onion garlic and oregano; a Peter Rabbit Garden with cabbage, carrots, lettuce and celery; an ABC Garden with arugula, beans, carrots, dandelion greens, eggplant, fennel, garlic, kale, lettuce, melons, nasturtium, onions, peas, radishes, squash, tomatoes, watermelon and zucchini. Be creative and let the kids have fun playing in the dirt!!!

Kati Wagner



Just a Reminder... The last day that we can accept **original** February claims or upward revisions is May 23, 2016.

Wildwood Annual Conference

September 10, 2016 - Arapahoe Community College

We are very excited to announce that our conference has been scheduled and we are in the process of finalizing our speakers. We will be discussing the new meal pattern! If you have a particular topic that you would like addressed please let us know. We hope to see all of you there!! More information will be available shortly.

Claims Corner

It is best to contact the Claims Coordinator that handles your county. If further help is needed, then you will be directed to another person. Ginny handles Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Broomfield, Denver, Douglas, Jefferson, Larimer & Weld Counties. Sue handles the rest of the Counties. Thank you.

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Memorial Day is a legal holiday on May 30, 2016. If you are going to do daycare on that day, please note that you are open on the holiday.

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