INCOME ELIGIBILITY FORMS

CACFP Website under Existing Sponsors tab or pages 25-35 in CACFP workbook

PURPOSE OF INCOME ELIGIBILITY FORMS

To Determine Each Enrolled Child's Eligibility

For Free, Reducedprice, or Paid Meals.

AVAILABLE WHERE ?

On the CNP Website at the Child and Adult Care Sponsor link under the tab "Existing Sponsors".



Every Child

claimed in the free or reduced-price category MUST have a complete Income Eligibility Form on file.





 A very limited number of people should have access to the IEFs.



<u>Confidentiality</u> Put in a locked cabinet Not for public viewing

INSTRUCTIONS - SIDE 2

Complete name of center and name of Official Representative.

- To: The Household Member
- From: The Official Representative of the Sponsor

(Name of Center or Organization ____

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PART 1 - ENROLLED CHILDREN

CHILD IEF

| Part 1. Enrolled Children: list names of all enrolled children | | | | | |
|--|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| Names of all enrolled children: Use additional pages if necessary (First and Last) | BIRTH DATE MM/DD/YYYY | CHECK IF IN HEAD/EVEN START | CHECK IF FOSTER CHILD | CHECK IF HOMELESS CHILD | |
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- Make sure all <u>enrolled</u> children in household are listed in part 1.
- Six children per household may be listed. (7th child must be listed on a new IEF.)
- Document each child's birth date.
- Head Start child, Foster child, Homeless, mark the box next to name.
- Abbreviations and initials are not acceptable.
- Nicknames may be listed in parenthesis.

ADULT IEF

Part 1. Name of Adult Participant(s)- (First and Last; use additional sheets if necessary)

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CATEGORICALLY FREE

- Head Start
- Even Start
- Foster
- SNAP
- TANF
- Homeless

HEAD START/EVEN START PARTICIPANTS

 Not required to have an IEF, but we suggest keeping one for proof of eligibility.

HOUSEHOLDS WITH BOTH HEAD START AND NON-HEAD START PARTICIPANTS

- List all enrolled children in part 1.
- Parent marks the box next to name of child that is in Head or Even start.
- Head Start children will be determined at the free rate.
- Other children will be based on income by household members.

FOSTER CHILDREN

 A <u>foster child</u> is defined as a child whose care and placement is the responsibility of the State or who is placed by a court with a caretaker household.

HOMELESS CHILDREN

 If the household does not complete the application, it is acceptable for the director of the homeless shelter to submit the application for the child.

PART 2: BENEFIT INFORMATION - CHILD

Part 2. Benefits: If any member of your household received SNAP (food stamps) or TANF cash assistance, provide the name and case number for the person who receives benefits. If no one receives these benefits, skip to part 3. NAME:

CASE NUMBER:

- (SNAP) Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
- (TANF) Temporary Assistance to Needy Families
 - MUST Provide the CASE NUMBER
- ALL are CATEGORICALLY FREE

PART 2: BENEFIT INFORMATION -ADULT

Part 2. Benefits: If the participant or anyone in the household receives SNAP (food stamps) or SSI or Medicaid, provide a case number below. If these benefits are not received, skip to part 3.

CASE NUMBER:

SNAP
SSI
Medicaid

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PART 3: TOTAL HOUSEHOLD GROSS INCOME

| Part 3. Total Household Gross Incom | e—You r | nust tell u | s how n | nuch and h | ow ofte | n | | | | |
|---|---|-------------|---------------------------------------|------------|---|----------|-----------------|----|-----------------------|--|
| | B. Gross Income and how often it was received | | | | | | | | | |
| | For example \$200/week or \$150/twice a month | | | | | | | | | |
| A. Name – First and Last (List only household members not listed in Part 1) | 1.Earnings from work before deductions | | 2. Welfare, child support, alimony | | 3. Pensions, retirement, Social Security, SSI, VA benefits | | 4. Other Income | | 5. Check if no income | |
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- Complete ONLY if eligibility was not determined by completing parts 1 or 2.
- All household members, not listed in Part 1, must be listed with gross income.
- The current income or
- List how often they are paid.

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PART 3: HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS ADULT

| Part 3. Total Household Gross Incom | e—You must tell u | s how much and he | ow often | | | | | |
|---|---|---|-----------------|--------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| | | B. Gross Income and how often it was received | | | | | | |
| | For example \$200/week or \$150/twice a month | | | | | | | |
| A. Name – First and Last (List name of the participant's spouse and any dependent children) | 1.Earnings from work before deductions 2. Welfare, child support, alimony 3. Pensions, retirement, Social Security, SSI, VA benefits | | 4. Other Income | 5. Check if no income | | | | |
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Part 4 Signature and Last Four Digits of Social Security Number (Adult must sign) - You or an adult household member

- List participants' spouse and any dependent children's name
- List the income of all people residing in household



Monthly Income is Required

- If given weekly multiply by 52
- If given every 2 weeks multiply by 26
- If given twice a month multiply by 24
- If given monthly multiply by 12

\$200 a week: 200 x 52 = \$10,400 \$400 monthly: 400 x 12 = \$4800



Part 4. Signature and Last Four Digits of Social Security Number (Adult must sign) - An adult household member must sign this form. If Part 3 is completed, the adult signing the form must also list the last four digits of his or her Social Security Number or mark the "I do not have a Social Security Number" box. (See Privacy Act Statement below*)

I certify that all information on this form is true and that all income is reported. I understand that the center will get Federal funds based on the information I give; that center officials may verify the information on the form; and that deliberate misrepresentation of the information may subject me to prosecution under applicable State and Federal laws.

| Sign here: | Rose Carter | _ Print name: | Rose Cart | er Dat | te: 2/28/2050 |
|--------------|--|---------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| Last four di | gits of Social Security Number: _* XXX | -XX-5809 | I do not have | a Social Security Num | nber |
| Address: | 124 Sunny Street | P | hone Number: <u>321 -</u> | <u>4567</u> | |
| City: | Sunshine | S | ate:AL | Zip Code: | 36109 |

MUST be signed and dated by:

- Adult household member
- Case worker for child care.
- Adult participant

What if the parent refuses to give you their income?



PART 5 - ETHNICITY AND RACE

| Part 5. Participant's ethnic and racial identities (optional) | | | | |
|---|---------------------------|---|--|--|
| Mark one ethnic identity: Mark one or more racial identities: | | | | |
| Hispanic or Latino | 🛛 Asian | American Indian or Alaska Native | | |
| Not Hispanic or Latino | U White | Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | | |
| | Black or African American | Other | | |

Households are asked to check the ethnic and racial identity of each child.

If left off....



Hispanic or Latino
 or
 Not Hispanic or Latino

 Hispanic or Latino - definition - A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central America, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race





- American Indian or Alaskan Native
- Asian
- Black or African American

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- Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
- White
- Other

Check all that apply



| Don't fill out this part. This is | s for official use only. | | | |
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| Annual Inco | ome Conversion: Weekly x 52, Ev | ery Z weeks x Zo, Twi | ce a month x 24, monthly x 12 | |
| Household size: Tota | I Annual Income: | SNAP/TAN | IF Household: | |
| Determination for: Free Meals | Reduced-Price Meals | Paid Meals | # Foster Free | |
| | # Head/Even Start Free | # Hor | neless Free | |
| Determining Official's Signature: | | | Date: | |
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The sponsor must determine eligibility and approve each IEF by completing this section.

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BEFORE YOU DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY OR APPROVE THE IEF'S

- Be sure all children in the household enrolled at your center are listed in Part 1.
- Make sure each IEF is complete.
- Have the Income Evaluation Sheet, page 33.

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| Don't fill out this part. This is for official use only. | |
|---|------------------------------|
| Annual Income Conversion: Weekly x 52, Every 2 Weeks x 26, Twic | e A Month x 24, Monthly x 12 |
| Household size: 6 Total Annual Income: \$33,200 SNAP/TAN | FHousehold: |
| Determination for: Free Meals 4 Reduced-Price Meals Paid Meals | #FosterFree |
| # Head/Even Start Free # Homeless Free | |
| Determining Official's Signature: <u>Karen Smith</u> | Date: 9/12/2050 |

- Household Size Number of children from Part 1 and other household members in Part 3 should be included here.
- Total Annual Income convert any income (weekly, monthly, biweekly, etc.) listed into annual income.
- Using the Evaluation Sheet for determining Income Eligibility.
- Indicate eligibility, sign and date.

COMBINATION OF DETERMINING FACTORS

| Don't fill out this part. This is for official use only. | |
|--|--|
| Annual Income Conversion: Weekly x 52, Every | 2 Weeks x 26, Twice A Month x 24, Monthly x 12 |
| Household size: 7 Total Annual Income: \$61,000 | SNAP/TANF Household: |
| Determination for: Free Meals Reduced-Price Meals | Paid Meals#FosterFree1 |
| # Head/Even Start Free 2 # H | lomelessFree |
| Determining Official's Signature: Karen Smith | Date: 4/11/2050 |

Determination when family has a combination of determining factors:

• Family of 7 with one foster, two Head Start and two other children and an income of \$61,000

SIGN AND DATE THE IEF

- Person that determines the eligibility must sign and date the IEF.
- The date signed must be the same or later date than signature by household member.
- Effective date of IEF may be no earlier than the first of the month in which the IEF was determined eligible.
- Meals can not be claimed Free or Reduced before the effective date.

Date Approved must be Same as or date after the parent !

| Part 4. Signature and Last F must sign this form. If Part 3 is o | completed, the adult signing t | he form must also | list the last four digits of his o | | |
|---|---|--|---|---|------------------------------|
| Number or mark the "I do not I I certify that all information on this the information I give; that center subject me to prosecution under | s form is true and that all income rofficials may verify the informat | is reported. I under tion on the form; and | stand that the center will get Fe that deliberate misrepresentati | on of the informat | ion may |
| Sign here: | Print name | e: | Date: | 52/20 | <u>5/5</u> (|
| Last four digits of Social Security | yNumber: <u>X X X - X X</u> | | I do not have a Social Se | curity Number | |
| Address: | | | | Í | • |
| City: | | | | | |
| if you do not, we cannot approve Number of the adult household n a foster child or you list a Supple Food Distribution Program on In that the adult household membe if the participant is eligible for fre | member who signs the applicatio emental Nutrition Assistance Pro dian Reservations (FDPIR) case er signing the application does no | n. The Social Secur gram (SNAP), Temp number for the part of have a Social Secu | rity Number is not required wher orary Assistance for Needy Fan icipant or other (FDPIR) i dentifie urity Number. We will use your i | n you apply on be nilies (TANF) Pro er or when you ir | half of gram or dicate |
| Part 5. Participant's ethnic | | • | | | |
| | Mark one or more racial identi | | | | |
| | Asian | American India | | | |
| Not Hispanic or Latino | U White | | an or Other Pacific Islander | | |
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| Household size: T | otal Annual Income: | SNAP/SSI/I | Medicaid Household: | _ | |
| Determination for: Free Meals | Reduced-Price Me | eals: F | Paid Meals | ↓ | |
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Income Eligibility Forms are Effective the First Day the Child/Adult Attends

IF

The IEF is completed and approved during the same calendar month

Sally Brown's first day of attendance is 10/5

Her IEF is approved as Free on 10/5

When is she eligible for Free meals?

October 5

Antoine Parker's first day of attendance is 10/10

His IEF Application is approved as <u>Reduced</u> on 10/31

When is he eligible for Reduced-price meals?

October 10



- A child enrolls and attends a center on December 5th and begins receiving meals that day. The parent returns the IEF on January 15th. The IEF is determined free on January 15th.
- In what category may you claim the child in December? <u>Paid</u>
- In what category may you claim the child in January? ______

ORGANIZATION AND STORAGE OF IEFS SUGGESTIONS

- An IEF is only valid for one calendar year (from time child enters center).
- Print on a different color paper each year.
- Print form on one side and the Household Instructions on the other.
- Keep in alphabetical order in a three ring binder.
- Do not discard any IEF received.
- Do not file the IEF with the child's other records.
- IEFs must be kept for four years.
- If a parent does not complete an IEF and you have a Head Start eligibility statement on the child, you must keep the statement on file with the IEFs in order to document that the child is Head Start Eligible Free.

IDEAS: GETTING PARENTS TO RETURN IEFS

Complete the known information that is constant from year to year.

Highlight the line that the parent or guardian needs to complete,

(signature, social security number, income, and date).

MINI REVIEW - IEF

- 1. Income Eligibility Forms may be effective no earlier than the first day of the month in which they are determined.
- 2. The determination of Free, Reduced, or Paid should be made when the IEF is received.
- 3. For an IEF to be effective, it must be signed and dated by the determining official.

False

4. IEFs may remain in effect for a maximum of one calendar year



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