June 2025 May Claim Month



Nuggets of News

No Postings



No Pay!

2024-2025 unannounced reviews in progress so stay ready!!

- <u>Posted Building for the Future</u>
 (<u>English & Spanish</u>) & <u>WIC</u>
 Brochures.
- CN Labels MUST be available.
- Infant/Child Menus <u>MUST</u> be posted.
- Current dated Menu posted.
- Serve at approved mealtimes.
- **TWO** thermometers required.
- Bank account changes are due by the 10th of each month for timely processing.

GSK, Shelby County Commissioners, 100 Black Men of New York & Black Voters Matter

are helping to fund our mission to make nutrition a priority for children by educating childcare providers by taking the actions below:

- ✓ DONATE to this cause at www.alphaomegafnp.org & select the Donate Now button!
- ✓ Share this link with a friend!

 Thank you!

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2025 Theme:

"THE YEAR OF ASCENSION AND POSSESSION!"



Planting Seeds, Nurturing Growth

As caregivers, you are gardeners in the lives of children—planting seeds of love, kindness, and patience each day. The work may feel small or go unnoticed, but every moment you spend teaching, comforting, and encouraging helps children grow strong roots in a world that often feels unstable. Your care is the sunshine and water they need to thrive.

In this season of growth, remember that your gentle hands and consistent care shape the hearts of the next generation. Just like a garden doesn't bloom overnight, children grow with time, love, and your steady guidance.

Jeremiah 17:7–8 (NIV): "But blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in him. They will be like a tree planted by the water... It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit."

WHAT'S GOING ON NOW?

- Submit updated childcare licenses to your Food Program Sponsor immediately once received to remain in compliance with CACFP regulations.
- Milk Audit Reminder: Each month, a milk audit is conducted to verify that the quantity and type of milk purchased meets CACFP requirements. If your site receives a milk shortage notice, please:
 - Review your milk receipts and delivery records.
 - If documentation is missing or incomplete, submit additional receipts if available.
 - For future claims, if short, increase your 1% milk purchases by at least 2 gallons weekly, if necessary.
 - For further clarification, review your site's milk audit report in KidKare.



June Snack Attack: **Cherry tomatoes and mozzarella (Vegetable/Meat Alternate)!** Try out these <u>#CACFPCreditable</u> <u>snacks</u> when you plan your next grocery trip!

What's happening in June?

June 19th is Juneteenth! Early childhood providers can observe Juneteenth with younger children by celebrating Black culture and simply making a special occasion out of the day! Click here for more info.





You have our support... We are here to work with you!

View New Claim Due Date Change Memo. CLAIMS DUE BY THE 1st DAY MONTHLY IN 2023-2024 TO ENSURE TIMELY REIMBURSEMENT! ALL LATE CLAIMS WILL BE PROCESSED AT MONTH-END!

Family Day Homes

Definition: Children served in your home. SUBMIT UPDATED COPY OF YOUR LICENSE AS SOON AS IT IS RECEIVED!



- All sites must always adhere to their approved meal service times. If your time needs to be adjusted, please complete a meal schedule change form and submit it for approval.
- Submit applications daily as children are enrolled.
- Children can be claimed in a pending status but can not be paid until application is submitted to sponsor
- Daily documentation of meals and attendance is required to be compliant. Read the **Daily Documentation Requirement Memo**.
- Remember to serve and choose at least **one whole grain rich food per day** in KidKare when documenting daily meals and attendance.

Daycare & Adult Care Centers

Definition: Adults or children served in a commercial property/facility.
SUBMIT UPDATED COPY OF YOUR TN ADULTCARE OR CHILDCARE LICENSE!



- All sites must <u>always</u> adhere to their approved meal service times. If your time needs to be adjusted, please complete a meal schedule change form and submit it for approval.
- Children enrollment application due by the 20th of each month (DO NOT WAIT) TO SUBMIT WITH RECEIPTS AT THE END OF MONTH)
- Children can be claimed in a pending status but can not be paid until application is submitted to sponsor
- Daily documentation of meals and attendance is required to be compliant. Read the **Daily Documentation Requirement Memo**.
- Examine your Milk Audit in KidKare weekly to be sure you have purchased enough milk to be compliant and avoid costly loss!
- Head Start Sites! Have a safe summer! We will see you back in August!

At-Risk Aftercare Sites

Definition: Children served after school in a safe structured facility with planned activities.



- Submit your updated Health & Fire Inspection to Sponsor immediately and/or provide status.
- All food reimbursement funds must be reserved for utilization when you return in August. Have a safe summer!





REMINDERS!

KidKare/Minute Menu support 972-671-5211 support@kidkare.com

Educate yourself in KidKare by utilizing the "Get Help" option to selftrain.

PLEASE APPLY SYSTEM UPDATES FOR THE LATEST AND BEST VERSION OF KIDKARE!

Your menu in KidKare will be used for monitoring reviews. <mark>Keep them current</mark> monthly, print and post them as well. <mark>Inter your daycare closures</mark> in KidKare whenever your daycare will be closed during a meal service time. Enter meals and attendance daily to avoid loss of reimbursement and to be compliant.



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- Self-composed menus minus creditable meal components = disallowances.
- Take 5 minutes monthly to plan & schedule menus in KidKare.
- Teach children how to measure foods for health, safety & wellness.
- Plan a healthy cook day & get children involved.

NON-CREDITABLE MILK:

- **✓ 2% MILK**
- ✓ Almond milk
- ✓ **Rice** milk
- ✓ Coconut milk
- ✓ Cheese (cheese is a meat alternate)

CREDITABLE MILK:

- ✓ Lactose free & lactose reduced milk
- Soymilk, Silk Milk, Pearl, Ultra Soy & Continent Soymilk

MILK REQUIREMENTS:

- ✓ Breakfast
- ✓ Lunch
- ✓ Supper

MENU CONCERNS:

WHOLE GRAIN NOT MARKED - slide tab to YES under grain to indicate whole grain served.

Check for Meal Pattern requirements & resources at www.alphaomegafnp.org.