December 2025 November Claim Month



Nuggets of News

No Postings



No Pay!

2025-2026 announced reviews in progress through January 2026 so stay ready!!

- <u>Posted Building for the Future</u> (English & Spanish) & <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 <u>10th</u> 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 <u>www.alphaomegafnp.org</u> & select the Donate Now button!
- ✓ Share this link with a friend!

 Thank you!

Follow us on social media! www.facebook.com/AlphaOmegaFNP/ Instagram: @AlphaOmegaFNP



Kakisha	Redick	12 / 2
Shedron	Davis	12 / 2
Erica	Armour	12 / 9
Barbara	Williams	12 / 10
Janelle	Reed	12 / 16
Anthonell	Cox	12 / 22
Deborah	Martin	12 / 23
Yolanda	Barnes	12 / 23

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2025 Theme:

"THE YEAR OF ASCENSION AND POSSESSION!"



Joy to the World: Faith, Fellowship, and Giving"

Scripture of the Month:

"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." — Isaiah 9:6 (KJV)

As December unfolds, we enter a season filled with light, joy, and reflection. This month's theme, "Joy to the World: Faith, Fellowship, and Giving," reminds us that the birth of Christ is not only a celebration of hope fulfilled, but also a call to embody love and generosity in our daily mission.

Every meal shared, every hand extended, and every act of kindness becomes a reflection of the greatest gift ever given. We are not just serving food we are serving joy, restoring peace, and reminding our community that they are cherished and never forgotten. In a world that can feel cold and weary, our work shines as a warm light of compassion and fellowship.

Let us embrace the spirit of Christmas not only in decorations and carols, but in the way we serve. Let us give with open hearts, welcome with open arms, and celebrate with open spirits. Whether someone is facing hardship or rejoicing in blessings, our mission remains steadfast: to nourish bodies and uplift souls.

The season may pass quickly, but the love we sow endures. Stay encouraged, stay faithful, and stay rooted in the mission. Together, we are more than a program—we are a family of faith, joy, and giving. One plate, one prayer, one purpose at a time.

This is Alpha & Omega Nutrition Program Incorporated. This is December. This is Christmas in action.

WHAT'S GOING ON NOW?

- 1. Click <u>here</u> to view the Action News 5 interview of our Executive Director, Shedron Davis, as she speaks on the impact that Alpha & Omega Nutrition Program, Inc. has in our communities!
- 2. Report any extended holiday closure dates in KidKare and or email us your closure dates.



December is National Root Vegetables Month! Root vegetables, like sweet potatoes, carrots, jicama, radishes & beets, are rich in vitamins A, B and C, and are also a good source of fiber. Click *here* for Sweet Potato Hash recipe!

What's happening in December?

Safe Toys & Gifts Awareness Month is upon us! Click *here* for ways to keep our children & loved ones safe this December!





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

View <u>New Claim Due Date Change Memo.</u> <u>CLAIMS DUE BY THE 1st DAY MONTHLY</u> IN 2025-2026 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!

PEACE ON EARTH AND GOOD WILL TO ALL!

- Please mark "School out" during the holiday break to be credited for meals served to school aged children.
- 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.
- Daily documentation of meals and attendance is required to be compliant. Read the **Daily Documentation Requirement Memo**.

Daycare & Adult Care Centers

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



WISHING YOU PEACE, LOVE, AND JOY THIS SEASON!

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- Headstart Sites: 'TIS THE SEASON TO BE JOLLY!

At-Risk Aftercare Sites

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



HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

• ARAS programs operating in MSCS are expected to operate on MCSC school holiday closure schedule (when school is out no attendance or meal count should be marked).





REMINDERS!

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

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

KidKare updates:

- Document daily to avoid disallowance.
- Mark whole grain daily.
- Submit claim to sponsor on 1st of month.
- Tax document: To locate any report go to - Reports/finance & follow prompts.



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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
- Sovmilk, Silk Milk, Pearl, Ultra Sov & 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.