

### MEMBER OF FEEDING™ AMERICA

# CACFP Kids Cafe<sup>®</sup> Freeze & Thaw Supper Program

Online Training Guide Sponsor: St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance A United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) funded program administered by the Arizona Department of Education (ADE) that allows sponsors like St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance to feed an afterschool meal (supper) to children in low-income areas.







### What is Kids Café Freeze and Thaw?

- This program was designed through a model that doesn't require daily delivery of meals. We provide sites a 2-week rotating menu of frozen and non-perishable food items that are delivered in bulk once a month.
- The Food Bank will provide cases of individual products which are the primary components of a meal along with non-perishable side dishes including shelf-stable milk
- The meals will need to be thawed in refrigerator prior to meal service. No cooking or reheating of the meals is required prior to serving.
- The site will store the product for up to a month and assemble to create a full meal on-site prior to mealtime.





 Sponsor: operates the CACFP at-risk afterschool supper program. The sponsor communicates with the state agency, Arizona Department of Education (ADE), who administers the nutrition program for the USDA. *Your Sponsor is: St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance*

 Agency Partner: places in the community that receive CACFP meals from sponsor for kids to eat in a safe and supervised environment.



### **Agency Partner Responsibilities**

- Feed and supervise kids during meal service
  - Agency Partner must be adequately staffed with an adult to child ratio of:
    - 1 adult per 20 children
    - 2+ adults for 20+ children
- Serve minimum meal numbers your site may be discontinued if your minimum numbers are not met
- Have a working refrigerator and freezer to store meals
- Adhere to food safety requirements, at least one staff member must have food safety training
- Valid fire and health inspection, annually
- Be able to accommodate a mid-morning delivery, and put the food away
- Provide organized, regularly scheduled, in-person, afterschool enrichment activities
  - Kids must be enrolled members of the organization with information on file
  - Agency Partner must track attendance of kids
- Submit accurate meal counts weekly to Sponsor
- Participate in annual training and allow 3 monitoring visits per-year



# Food Safety

- Cold Meals meals should be kept in a refrigerator holding at a temperature of 41° degrees or cooler. If your refrigerator exceeds 41° degrees, please call your Child Nutrition Specialist immediately.
- Meals should only be removed from refrigerator at scheduled meal distribution time.
- If there is a problem with a meal
  - See procedure for **Reporting a Food Safety Issue** 
    - Contact your Child Nutrition Specialist immediately
    - Isolate any meals identified to be unsafe
    - Do not throw away food in question



### **Reporting an issue with Borrowed Equipment**

- Contact your Child Nutrition Specialist if borrowed equipment is not working properly.
- Be prepared to provide your Child Nutrition Specialist with the following information so a repair technician can be dispatched:
  - Description of the problem
    - Example: Refrigerator is making a strange noise and holding at a temperature in the danger zone (above 41° degrees).
  - Contact name and phone number
  - Hours of operation or best time to service equipment



- Refrigerator temperature should be checked and logged each day.
  - Record the temperature on your meal count form
  - Use an internal thermometer inside of the refrigerator
  - The external thermometers are not as reliable
  - Refrigerators should read 41°F or cooler
  - Freezers should read **0°F or cooler**
- Child Nutrition Specialist should be notified immediately if temperatures are reading higher than required.



### **Meal Ordering**

**Order** – Your Child Nutrition Specialist will take care of your orders, product will be packed and sent in bulk.

 Each order takes <u>two weeks</u> to create, order, pull product, pack, transfer and deliver to agency location.

**Delivery** – Site can receive once or twice a month deliveries. Delivery factors include number of kids served, size of order and/or geographic location.

#### Meal number changes

- Changes to meal orders including cancellations must be made directly with your Child Nutrition Specialist.
- Please let site specialist know meal number changes right away, as orders take two weeks to process.
- Kids Cafe® produces your meals from purchased product.
  - Evaluate the numbers of meals distributed regularly and reduce meals if you have consistent leftovers.





### Meal Service

Kids Cafe meals funded through CACFP, are for afterschool use **only**. You can serve these meals as soon as your school, or nearest school releases for the school day. <u>Meals cannot be used for lunch.</u>

- You must report your scheduled mealtime to your Child Nutrition Program Specialist for monitoring.
- Notify your Child Nutrition Specialist if feeding times change throughout the year, so we can update our records with ADE.
- Any enrolled member of your program, age 18 and under, is eligible to receive a meal
- Meals must be consumed on site.
  - Meals can be consumed indoors or outside (weather permitting)
  - Kids cannot be required to pray in order to receive food
- Every child must be served a complete meal (including milk).
- A current menu and Civil Rights compliance material must be on display at all times.
- Meals counts must be taken at point of service.



### **Meal Production Process**

The important part is that all meal components are assembled and readily available for the kids.

Each day:

- Pull intended number of main components (entrees) needed from the freezer for the next meal service day and place in refrigerator. You are thawing these meals in advance.
- Please cross reference the pulled items with your Kids Café menu.
- Do this for each day so that there are enough thawed main component (entrees) for the next serving day.

A complete meal will have the following items packaged in the Kids Café bag:

- ✓ Main component (entrée)
- ✓ One fruit & One vegetable
- ✓ Shelf stable milk
- $\checkmark$  Condiments and utensils



### Leftovers

Leftover entrees should be placed in the freezer after meal service:

- These items should be used first when removing items from the freezer for subsequent days
- All leftover inventory should be used before opening new product (First In First Out)
- Leftover product can only be frozen one time

Call your Child Nutrition Specialist if leftovers are consistent to decrease meal numbers and keep waste to a minimum

Share Table - Allow your program participants to place whatever components they don't want in a designated area for others to have. May place unused items in inventory.





### **Meal Count Forms**

St. Mary's Food Bank will claim reimbursement for meals distributed to Kids during your meal service. In order for us to claim reimbursement we need the meal count form as documentation to support the claim. We have created two meal count forms to track meals

- Daily meal count form Designed to track meals for sites serving over 60 kids.
- Weekly Classroom meal count form Designed to track meals for sites serving in multiple classrooms/areas.

You may select the meal count form that works best for your meal distribution model. You do not have to use both forms.



### **Meal Count Forms – Daily**

### Meal Count Form must include:

- Name of your organization
- Date of meal service
- Temperature of the meals
- Individual handwritten tally mark, at point of service, for each complete meal served to a child
- The total number of meals served
- The total number of additional attendees (kids that did not eat)
- Signature and date affirming form is accurate and was completed in compliance with Federal and State regulations

Submit via fax or email Fax to Kids Cafe: 480-780-3715; email: <u>mealcounts@stmarysfoodbank.org</u> CACFP At-Risk Afterschool Program Point of Service Meal Count Sheet

Sponsor Name:	St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance	Date:		
Site Name:		Meal Type:	Lunch	Supper
Site Address:	-	Name of Site		
Site Address.		Supervisor		
Site Phone				
Number:				
# of Meals Delive	ered: Tempe	ature of Refrigerator:		

\*Refrigerator temperature should read 41°F or cooler- \*Please contact your site specialist immediately if you are having cooler issues. Take temperature daily before meal service.

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### **Meal Count Forms – Weekly**

### Meal Count Form must include:

- Name of your organization
- Date of meal service
- Temperature of the meals
- Individual handwritten tally mark, at point of service, for each complete meal served to a child
- The total number of meals served
- The total number of additional attendees (kids that did not eat)
- Signature and date affirming form is accurate and was completed in compliance with Federal and State regulations

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CACFP At-Risk Afterschool Program Point of Service Meal Count Sheet

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In order to be compliant with the program, you must adhere to the proper meal counting and distribution method.

- Meal Counts must be marked off at the point of service
- Counting the number of meals distributed after meal service is over or several days later <u>is not allowed</u>
- You **MUST** count distributed meals during meal service on the meal count roster provided, unless an alternative form has been preapproved by your Child Nutrition Specialist or Program Manager
- Serving second meals to children is not encouraged



## **Block Claiming**

Block claiming is when a site reports serving the same exact number of meals to the same children every day, with no variation **Block claiming is not allowed** 

- Avoid block claiming by tallying meal counts at the point of service
- If block claiming is suspected, a meal count audit will be performed by a member of the Child Nutrition team
- If block claiming is confirmed, your site may be placed on corrective action to include meal count training
- If block claiming persist, further action may be taken including probation or inactivation of the program at the agency partner site



### **Meal Count Form Quality**

- Use a dark <u>blue or black pen</u> to make sure electronic submission can be read.
- Clearly write the name of your site and dates of service on the meal count form.
- Before submitting meal counts check scan or fax to make sure all pages are attached and whole form can be seen.
- Before scanning or faxing please make sure all meal count forms are signed.

If we catch errors or omissions in meal documentation, we will send meal count back for corrections. Please send corrections to us as soon as possible.



Submit meal counts on Monday by close of business for the previous week. Delivery Options:

- Fax to (480) 780 3715
- Email to mealcounts@stmarysfoodbank.org
- Take a picture and send to your Child Nutrition Specialist
- Meal counts must be dated, have your site name, and be signed.
- All original meal counts must be kept on-site for 90 days or sent to St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance - Child Nutrition Office.
- Failure to submit meals counts will result in an interruption in service or suspension. You will be notified if your meal counts are delinquent prior to order cancellation



### **Required Signs**

Agency Partners are required to have the following posters **displayed** in their meal service area

- "And Justice for All" Poster
- "Building for the Future" Poster
- Current Menu

Agency Partners are also expected to **maintain**:

- "Procedures for Complaints of Discrimination"
- All meal counts for 3 months, with temperatures recorded

Required Kids Cafe signs, menus and compliance materials can be found on our website.

<u>Click here to find Kids Cafe</u> <u>compliance material!</u>

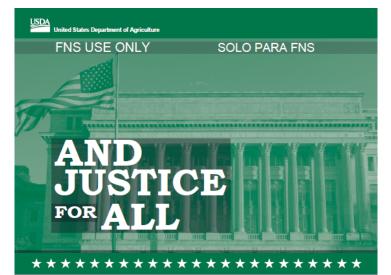
Click here for the Freeze and Thaw Menu

Password: foodbankagency123



### **Civil Rights and Non-Discrimination**

- Meals must be provided to all eligible children regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or handicap.
- "And Justice For All" poster must be posted in meal service area
- Parents and guardians have the right to file a civil rights complaint,
  - Agency Partner Staff should be able to direct them to the information required to make a complaint; instructions are included on your mandatory civil rights posters.
  - Record these on your "Complaints of Discrimination" log and contact your Child Nutrition Specialist right away if a family files a complaint.
  - If a child or family is requesting information in another language please contact your Child Nutrition Specialist for assistance in obtaining the materials in the appropriate language.



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To file a program discrimination complaint, a complainant should complete a Form AD-3027, USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, which can be obtained online, at

https://www.usda.gov/stles/default/files/documents/ad-3027.pdf, from any USDA office. by caling (B66) 632 9392, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory addro in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights (ASCR) about

the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by: mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture

Office of the Assistant Scoretary for Civil Rights 1400 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20250-0410; or

(833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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La información del programa puede estar disponible en otros idiomas además del inglés. Las personas on diocapacidades que requieran medios de comunicación alternativos para obtener información sobre el programa (por ejernipio, braile, letra agrandada, gradación de audo y lenguaje de selfas americano) deben comunicarse con la agencia estatal o local responsable que administra el programa o con el TARCET Centre de USDA al (202) 720-2600 (voz y TTY) o comunicarse con el USDA a través del Servicio Federa de Transmisión de Información al (200) 877-4335

Para presentar una queja por discriminación en el programa, el reclamante debe completar un formutano Ab-3027, Formulario de queja por discriminación del programa del USDA, que se puede obtener en linea, en <u>hibro/lwww.usda convisitederaturittes</u> documentalad-30278.02, escribiendo una carta dirigida al USDA, lamando al (865, 852-9826, o escribiendo una carta dirigida al USDA, La carta debe contener el nomer, el adrecolón y el nomero de Leidón del reclamante, y una descripción escrita de la supuesta acotón discriminatoria con subidente detale para Informar al Subsecretation de Detanante, y una descripción escrita de la supuesta acotón discriminatoria con subidente detale para Informar al Subsecretation de Detenhos Civiles (ASCR, por sus sigas en Ingles) sobre la naturateza y la tenta de la presuntaria volación de los derechos civiles. La carta o el formularto AD-3027 completado debe envíarse al USDA por medio de:

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Form AD-475 A -- Assisted Poster/ Revised May 2022

ecomplementario al Formulario AD-475-A/Revisado May 2022



### **Agency Partner Monitoring Visits**

Sponsors are required to make periodic, in-person, monitoring visits to the Agency partner. During these visits, your Child Nutrition Specialist will check for:

- ✓ Point of Service meal counts
- ✓ Temperature Log
- ✓ Excess waste/over ordering of meals
- ✓ Refrigerator and environment are clean
- $\checkmark$  Meals are consumed on site
- $\checkmark$  Meals are served during the designated meal service time
- $\checkmark$  Only enrolled children 18 years and younger are receiving meals
- ✓ Complete meals (including milk) are served
- $\checkmark$  Agency partner is adhering to the Civil Rights requirements
- $\checkmark$  All required signs are posted



### **Monitoring Visits**

The Arizona Department of Education (ADE) and United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) have the authority to conduct unannounced site visits.

- The monitor will introduce themselves and show identification.
- Please notify your Child Nutrition Site Specialist if you receive a monitoring visit from ADE or the USDA.

If you have special protocols for visitors due to COVID-19, please let your site specialist know.







- Corrective Action may be necessary to address issues that aren't in compliance with the program.
- Any issues needing to be addressed will be communicated in writing within seven business days.
- Sites must abide by the policies, procedures, and record keeping requirements of SMFBA and correct the needed deficiencies to bring site into compliance
- Termination & Grievance Policy will be enacted if deficiencies are not corrected



### **Next Steps to Complete**

- Complete CACFP Enrollment Packet
  - Training Sign-in
  - Partnership Agreements
  - Background verification form
  - Borrowed Equipment Agreement, if applicable
- Submit Activity Schedule
- Non-Associated Site Agreement, for new sites only
- Complete Food Safety Training
- All partners that are not schools operating NSLP will need to submit Fire and Health Inspections.

#### Thank you for your partnership!

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