

**ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT ON AGING  
CHILD AND ADULT CARE FOOD PROGRAM  
POLICY NOTICE #18-03**

**TO:** USDA Adult Day Service Providers / CACFP Providers  
**FROM:** Betsy Creamer, Supervisor   
 Office of Older American Services  
**RE:** Income Eligibility Guideline Update  
**DATE:** June 22, 2018

**PURPOSE:** This memorandum announces the annual adjustments to the Income Eligibility Guidelines for Federal Fiscal Year 2019 to be used in determining eligibility for free and reduced-price meals for the time period of July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019.

**BACKGROUND:** Pursuant to sections 9(b)(1) and 17(c)(4) of the Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1758(b)(1) and 42 U.S.C.1766(c)(4)) and Child and Adult Care Food Program (7 CFR part 226) the income eligibility guidelines are based on the Federal income poverty guidelines and are stated by household size. For additional information see the Federal Register/Volume 83, No.89 for further clarification regarding the annual income eligibility adjustment.

**POLICY:** The agency representative is to compare the adult participant's household income to the effective income eligibility guidelines cited in this Policy Notice #18-03 and determine the appropriate reimbursement category. A CACFP participant must be authorized under one of the three reimbursement categories which are Free, Reduced-Price or Paid. The following Federal Fiscal Year 2019 Income Eligibility Guidelines for the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) are cited below and are effective **July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019:**

**FREE MEAL CATEGORY** *If income is at or below:*

<u>Family Size</u>	<u>Yearly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>Weekly</u>
1	\$ 15,782	\$ 1,316	\$ 304
2	\$ 21,398	\$ 1,784	\$ 412
3	\$ 27,014	\$ 2,252	\$ 520
4	\$ 32,630	\$ 2,720	\$ 628
5	\$ 38,246	\$ 3,188	\$ 736
Each Additional Family Member	\$ 5,616	\$ 468	\$ 108

**REDUCED-PRICE MEAL CATEGORY** *If income is at or between:*

<u>Family Size</u>	<u>Yearly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>Weekly</u>
1	\$ 15,783 - \$ 22,459	\$ 1,317 - \$ 1,872	\$ 305 - \$ 432
2	\$ 21,399 - \$ 30,451	\$ 1,785 - \$ 2,538	\$ 413 - \$ 586
3	\$ 27,015 - \$ 38,443	\$ 2,253 - \$ 3,204	\$ 521 - \$ 740
4	\$ 32,631 - \$ 46,435	\$ 2,721 - \$ 3,870	\$ 629 - \$ 893
5	\$ 38,247 - \$ 54,427	\$ 3,189 - \$ 4,536	\$ 737 - \$ 1,047
Each Additional Family Member	\$ 5,617 - \$ 7,992	\$ 469 - \$ 666	\$ 109 - \$ 154

**IMPLEMENTATION:** Effective July 1, 2018 the above adjustments shall be utilized for determining income eligibility for all applicants/participants for the CACFP program. Agencies must discard the outdated Addendum (formally known as the Addendum Notice) and replace it with this Policy Notice. Authorize agencies must ensure that the CACFP Household Letter is revised to reflect the FFY 2019 Income Eligibility Guidelines.