

Eligible Day Care Home Providers Include:

Licensed (by the Department of Children and Family Services [DCFS]) day care home providers or group day care home providers approved to provide day/night care for nonresidential children.

License-exempt providers receiving Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) funds from the Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS). This includes relatives, friends, and neighbors caring for children enrolled in CCAP. Within this group of license-exempt providers, child care must take place in the provider's own home. The capacity set by CCAP must be followed.

Both types of providers may claim their own children if there is a nonresidential child in attendance as long as they are eligible for meal benefits.

Day Care Home Provider Eligibility

To participate in the CACFP, a day care home provider must sign an agreement with a sponsoring organization before participating and receiving monies for serving nutritious meals in the CACFP.

Day Care Home Providers Are Reimbursed by a Two-Tier Reimbursement System

Tier 1 reimbursement—As a day care home provider, you may be able to receive the highest rate of reimbursement if you meet certain criteria set by the USDA. Your sponsoring organization will help you determine if you meet these guidelines.

Tier 2 reimbursement—As a day care home provider, if you do not meet the criteria for Tier 1 reimbursement, you will automatically receive the lower rate of reimbursement for all enrolled children.

Rates of Reimbursement Effective July 1, 2021

	Breakfast	Lunch/Dinner	Snack
Tier I	\$1.40	\$2.63	\$0.78
Tier II	\$0.51	\$1.59	\$0.21

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Making Healthy Meals Profitable

Day Care Homes Provider Fact Sheet

The Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) is a United States Department of Agriculture-funded program administered by the Illinois State Board of Education which provides reimbursement for meals served to children ages birth through 12 years enrolled in a day care home.



Day Care Homes Sponsoring Organizations



Review the list of sponsoring organizations below to determine which organization serves your county. In some cases, there may be more than one sponsor serving a county, therefore, contact the sponsor of your choice. (A day care home provider is allowed to participate with only one sponsoring organization.) A representative of the sponsoring organization will schedule an appointment to discuss the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) requirements and provide a meal chart detailing the types and amounts of food to be served. The representative will have you sign an agreement to begin participation.

Name of Sponsoring Organization	Counties Served	Telephone Numbers, Email and website
4-C: Community Coordinated Child Care www.four-c.org	Carroll, DeKalb, Lee, McHenry, Ogle, Whiteside	815.758.8149 or 800.848.8727 ext 234 suew@four-c.org
AnSo Child Development Center www.ansoforkids.org	Cook, DuPage, Lake, Will	773.239.4433 ansocd@hotmail.com
Association for Child Development www.acdkids.org	All Counties	708.236.0863 or 800.284.5273 Illinois@acdkids.org
Better Child Care www.betterchildcareil.org	Adams, Bond, Brown, Calhoun, Cass, Christian, Clinton, Greene, Hancock, Jersey, Logan, Macoupin, Madison, Marion, Mason, Menard, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Pike, Sangamon, Schuyler, Scott, St. Clair	217.245.0949 or 800.659.0898 betterchildcare@mediacombb.net
Child Day Care Association dba United 4 Children www.united4children.org	All Counties	618.345.6213 or 800.467.2322 ext 29 smithl@united4children.org
Day Care Resources www.dcrhome.org	All Counties	309.925.2274 or 800.238.0555 info@dcrhome.org
Illinois Action for Children www.actforchildren.org	Cook	773.564.8861 healthyfood@actforchildren.org
Illinois Child Care Bureau www.illinoischildren.com	Boone, Carroll, Cook, DuPage, DeKalb, Grundy, Iroquois, Jo Davies, Kane, Kankakee, Kendall, Lake, LaSalle, Lee, McHenry, Ogle, Rock Island, Stephenson, Whiteside, Will, Winnebago	773.444.0115 info@illinoischildren.com
Nutrition for Children	Champaign, Ford, Iroquois, Piatt, Tazewell, Vermillion	217.356.0336 nfcharper@comcast.net
YWCA Metropolitan Chicago / CACFP www.ywcachicago.org	Cook, DuPage, Kane	312.762.2724 myrtle.thomas@ywcachicago.org