

**INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES**  
(Effective July 1, 2015 until June 30, 2016)

HOUSEHOLD SIZE	FAMILY INCOME EQUALS OR IS BELOW:			FAMILY INCOME IS BETWEEN:			FAMILY INCOME EQUALS OR IS ABOVE:		
	FREE MEALS			REDUCED MEALS			PAID MEALS		
	YEAR	MONTH	WEEK	YEAR	MONTH	WEEK	YEAR	MONTH	WEEK
1	15,301	1,276	295	15,301-21,775	1,276-1,815	295-419	21,775	1,815	419
2	20,709	1,726	399	20,709-29,471	1,726-2,456	399-567	29,471	2,456	567
3	26,117	2,177	503	26,117-37,167	2,177-3,098	503-715	37,167	3,098	715
4	31,525	2,628	607	31,525-44,863	2,628-3,739	607-863	44,863	3,739	863
5	36,933	3,078	711	36,933-52,559	3,078-4,380	711-1,011	52,559	4,380	1,011
6	42,341	3,529	815	42,341-60,255	3,529-5,022	815-1,159	60,255	5,022	1,159
7	47,749	3,980	919	47,749-67,951	3,980-5,663	919-1,307	67,951	5,663	1,307
8	53,157	4,430	1,023	53,157-75,647	4,430-6,304	1,023-1,455	75,647	6,304	1,455
FOR EACH ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBER	+5,408	+451	+104	+7,696	+642	+148	+7,696	+642	+148

**Using the Income Eligibility Guidelines** – The income eligibility guidelines are used to categorize the household income reported on the income eligibility form into the free, reduced or paid category. For example, if the monthly income for a family of two is **\$1,726** or less, the center would be eligible for reimbursement at the Free rate. If the household income for a family of two is between **\$1,726** and **\$2,456** per month, the center would be eligible for reimbursement at the Reduced rate. If the household income for a family of two is **\$2,456** or more per month, the center would be eligible for reimbursement at the Paid rate.

**Definition of Income** – *Income* means income before any deductions such as income taxes, Social Security taxes, insurance premiums, charitable contributions and bonds. It includes the following: (1) monetary compensation for services, including wages, salary, commissions or fees; (2) net income from nonfarm self-employment; (3) net income from farm self-employment; (4) Social Security; (5) dividends or interest on savings or bonds or income from estates or trusts; (6) net rental income; (7) public assistance or welfare payments; (8) unemployment compensation; (9) government civilian employee or military retirement, or pensions or veterans payments; (10) private pensions or annuities; (11) alimony or child support payments; (12) regular contributions from persons not living in the household; (13) net royalties; and (14) other cash income.

**Definition of Household** – Household means *family* as defined in Section 226.2. *Family* means, in the case of children, a group of related or nonrelated individuals, who are not residents of an institution or boarding house, but who are living as one economic unit or, in the case of adult participants, the adult participant, and if residing with the adult participant, the spouse and dependent(s) of the adult participant.

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