

INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES
(Effective from July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010)

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	14,079	1,174	271	14,079-20,036	1,174-1,670	271- 386	20,036	1,670	386
2	18,941	1,579	365	18,941-26,955	1,579-2,247	365- 519	26,955	2,247	519
3	23,803	1,984	458	23,803-33,874	1,984-2,823	458- 652	33,874	2,823	652
4	28,665	2,389	552	28,665-40,793	2,389-3,400	552- 785	40,793	3,400	785
5	33,527	2,798	645	33,527-47,712	2,798-3,976	645- 918	47,712	3,976	918
6	38,389	3,200	739	38,389-54,631	3,200-4,553	739-1,051	54,631	4,553	1,051
7	43,251	3,605	832	43,251-61,550	3,605-5,130	832-1,184	61,550	5,130	1,184
8	48,113	4,010	926	48,113-68,469	4,010-5,706	926-1,317	68,469	5,706	1,317
For each additional family member	+4,862	+406	+94	+6,919	+577	+134	+6,919	+577	+134

Using the Income Eligibility Guidelines

The income eligibility guidelines are used to categorize the household income reported on the income eligibility application into the free, reduced or paid category. For example, if the monthly income for a family of two is **\$1,579** or less, the center would be eligible for reimbursement at the Free rate. If the household income for a family of two is between **\$1,579** and **\$2,247** per month, the center would be eligible for reimbursement at the Reduced rate. If the household income for a family of two is **\$2,247** or more per month, the center would be eligible for reimbursement at the Paid rate.

Definition of Income

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

Definition of Household

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