

**Bright from the Start: Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
CACFP Meal Benefit Income Eligibility Statement***

PART I: Child(ren) or Adult enrolled to receive day care						
Name: (Last, First and Middle Initial)	SNAP, TANF, or FDIPIR case number, or Client ID number for children only. All the above, or SSI or Medicaid case number for Adults. Note: Do not use EBT numbers. Write case number and proceed to Part III.	Children in Head Start, foster care and children who meet the definition of migrant, runaway, or homeless are eligible for free meals. Check (✓) all that apply. (See definitions in FAQs)				
		Head Start	Foster Child	Migrant	Runaway	Homeless
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

PART II: Report income for ALL Household Members (Skip this step if participant is categorically eligible as documented in Part I.)
Are you unsure what income to include here? Flip the page and review the charts titled "Sources of Income" for more information.

A. Child Income¹ - Sometimes children in the household earn or receive income. Please indicate the TOTAL income received by child household members listed in PART I here. **Child Income/How often?**
 \$ _____ / _____

B. Other Household Members¹. List all household members (including yourself) not listed in Part I even if they do not receive income. For each Household Member listed, if they do receive income, report total gross income (before taxes) for each source in whole dollars (no cents) only. If they do not receive income from any source, write '0'. If you enter "0" or leave any field blank you are certifying (promising) there is no income to report.

Name of Other Household Members (First and Last)	1. Earnings from work before deductions / How often	2. Welfare, child support, alimony / How Often	3. Social Security, pensions, retirement / How Often	4. All other income / How Often
1. _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____
2. _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____
3. _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____
4. _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____
5. _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____

C. Total Household Members (Adults and Children) listed in Part I and Part II _____

Social Security Number. If income is listed or completed in Part II, the adult completing the form must also list the last four digits of his or her Social Security Number or check the "I don't have a Social Security Number" box below. (See Privacy Act Statement on next page). **Failure to complete this section, if income is listed, will result in the denial of free or reduced eligibility.**

Last four Digits of Social Security Number XXX-XX-_____
 I do not have a Social Security Number

PART III: Enrollment Information: Children Only

My child is normally in attendance at the facility between the hours of _____ [am/pm] to _____ [am/pm]. (✓) Check here if only before/after school care is provided.

Circle the days your child will normally attend the center: **Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday**

Circle the meals your child will normally receive while in care: **Breakfast AM Snack Lunch PM Snack Supper Evening Snack**

PART IV: Signature

I certify that all information on this form is true and that all income is reported. I understand that the center or day care home will get Federal funds based on the information I give. I understand that CACFP officials may verify the information. I understand that if I purposefully give false information, the participant receiving meals may lose the meal benefits, and I may be prosecuted. This signature also acknowledges that the child(ren) or adult listed on the form in Part I are enrolled for care. If not completed fully and signed, the participant will be placed in the Paid category.

Signature: **X** _____ Print Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

*This application is a revision of USDA's newly released meal benefit prototype and meets all legal requirements and reflect design best practices identified by USDA through focus testing and other research.

PART V: Participant's Ethnic and Racial Identities (optional)

Check (✓) one ethnic identity:
 Hispanic/ Latino Not Hispanic/ Latino

Check (✓) one or more racial identities:
 Asian White Black or African American Indian or Alaska Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

Official Use Only Section for Provider: Annual Income Conversion: Weekly x 52, Every 2 weeks x 26, Twice a month x 24, Monthly x 12

Total income: _____ **Per:** Week Every 2 weeks Twice a month Month Year **Household Size:** _____

Categorical Eligibility: check (✓) if applicable **Eligibility:** check (✓) one Free Reduced Paid-Denied

Day Care Homes Only: check (✓) one Tier I Tier II

When more than one person is performing CACFP duties, there must be at least two signatures on this form: one signature from the Determining Official (the official who determined initial income classification) and one signature from the Confirming Official (the official who verified the form's accuracy).

Determining Official's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Confirming Official's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Follow Up Official's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

The participant in the day care facility may qualify for free or reduced-price meals if your household income falls within the limits on the **Annual Income Eligibility Guidelines**.

Household Size	Yearly Income
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2	
3	<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>Please refer to the Income Eligibility Guidelines that are updated annually and available on DECAL's website.</p> </div>
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Each additional person	Add:

Privacy Act Statement: The Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act requires the information on this application. You do not have to give the information, but if you do not, we cannot approve your child for free or reduced-price meals. You must include the social security of the adult household member who signs the application. The social security number is not required when you apply on behalf of a foster child or you list a Food Stamp, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) case number for your child or other (FDPIR) identifier or when you indicate that the adult household member signing the application does not have a social security number. We will use your information to determine if your child is eligible for free or reduced-price meals, and for administration and enforcement of the Program.

Non-discrimination Statement: In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g. Braille, large print, audiotope, American Sign Language, etc.), should contact the Agency (State or local) where they applied for benefits. Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

To file a program complaint of discrimination, complete the [USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form](http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html), (AD-3027) found online at: http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html, and at any USDA office, or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; fax: (202) 690-7442; or email: program.intake@usda.gov.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Sources of Income Chart¹

Sources of Income for Children		Sources of Income for Adults		
Sources of Child Income	Example(s)	Earnings from Work	Public Assistance / Alimony / Child Support	Pensions / Retirement / All Other Income
- Earnings from work	- A child has a regular full or part-time job where they earn a salary or wages	- Salary, wages, cash bonuses - Net income from self-employment (farm or business)	- Unemployment benefits - Worker's compensation - Supplemental Security Income (SSI) - Cash assistance from State or local government	• Social Security (including railroad retirement and black lung benefits) • Private pensions or disability benefits • Regular income from trusts or estates • Annuities • Investment income • Earned interest • Rental income • Regular cash payments from outside household
- Social Security - Disability Payments - Survivor's Benefits	- A child is blind or disabled and receives Social Security benefits - A parent is disabled, retired, or deceased, and their child receives Social Security benefits	If you are in the U.S. Military: - Basic pay and cash bonuses (do NOT include combat pay, FSSA or privatized housing allowances) - Allowances for off-base housing, food and clothing	- Alimony payments - Child support payments - Veteran's benefits - Strike benefits	
-Income from person outside the household	- A friend or extended family member regularly gives a child spending money			
-Income from any other source	- A child receives regular income from a private pension fund, annuity, or trust			