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MEMORANDUM

TO: Child and Adult Care Food Program Sponsors

FROM: Aimee F. Beam, RD, LDN *AFB*
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SUBJECT: **2020 Operational Memo #8**
Income Eligibility Guidelines

USDA published its annual notice adjusting the Income Eligibility Guidelines for Free and Reduced Priced Meals on March 20, 2020. The annual adjustment of the guidelines will be **effective July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2021.**

The annual adjustments are required by Section 9 of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act. The guidelines are intended to direct benefits to those children most in need and are revised annually to account for changes in the Consumer Price Index.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact us at 302-857-3356.

Attachment

cc: Nutrition Team



Delaware Department of Education

Effective Date: July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021

These are the income scales used by Child Nutrition Programs to determine eligibility for free and reduced price meals.

Household Size	FREE MEALS – 130%					REDUCED MEALS – 185%				
	Yearly	Monthly	Twice per Month	Every two weeks	Weekly	Yearly	Monthly	Twice per Month	Every two weeks	Weekly
1	\$16,588	\$1,383	\$692	\$638	\$319	\$23,606	\$1,968	\$984	\$908	\$454
2	\$22,412	\$1,868	\$934	\$862	\$431	\$31,894	\$2,658	\$1,329	\$1,227	\$614
3	\$28,236	\$2,353	\$1,177	\$1,086	\$543	\$40,182	\$3,349	\$1,675	\$1,546	\$773
4	\$34,060	\$2,839	\$1,420	\$1,310	\$655	\$48,470	\$4,040	\$2,020	\$1,865	\$933
5	\$39,884	\$3,324	\$1,662	\$1,534	\$767	\$56,758	\$4,730	\$2,365	\$2,183	\$1,092
6	\$45,708	\$3,809	\$1,905	\$1,758	\$879	\$65,046	\$5,421	\$2,711	\$2,502	\$1,251
7	\$51,532	\$4,295	\$2,148	\$1,982	\$991	\$73,334	\$6,112	\$3,056	\$2,821	\$1,411
8	\$57,356	\$4,780	\$2,390	\$2,206	\$1,103	\$81,622	\$6,802	\$3,401	\$3,140	\$1,570
For each additional household member, add:	\$5,824	\$486	\$243	\$224	\$112	\$8,288	\$691	\$346	\$319	\$160