



Celebrate National CACFP Week, March 15-21, 2026

It's [National CACFP Week](#)! Join us in celebrating the child care providers, afterschool programs, and schools that serve healthy meals and snacks to children through the [Child and Adult Care Food Program](#) (CACFP). CACFP reimburses eligible afterschool programs and child care providers for serving healthy meals and snacks to children in their care. Participation alleviates hunger and supports kids' learning, development, and formation of lifelong healthy eating habits.

Thousands of providers across New York already [participate](#) in CACFP. Many more are eligible but not enrolled. This CACFP Week, take action to help us spread the word and expand access to this valuable program.

Post on Social Media and Promote CACFP with Our Toolkit

Promote CACFP to child care and afterschool programs in your community using our [CACFP Outreach Toolkit](#). It includes social media graphics and captions, sample communications language, and more.

This week, pair images from the toolkit with the CACFP Week captions below. Use the hashtag #CACFPWeek and tag Hunger Solutions New York so we can share your post!

CACFP is a crucial support for kids, families, and providers. Learn how more Afterschool programs and child care providers can join to receive reimbursement funding for healthy food: ChildCareMealsNY.org #CACFPweek

It's #CACFPweek! Help us celebrate the schools, programs, and providers that provide kids with healthy #AfterSchoolMeals & #ChildCareMeals. Learn more about how your program can qualify: ChildCareMealsNY.org

Child care providers: Do you serve meals and snacks to the children in your

care? Did you know CACFP can provide reimbursement to help offset your food costs? Learn more today: ChildCareMealsNY.org #CACFPWeek



CACFP Week: Celebrating Providers Making a Difference

As part of our CACFP Week celebration, we're spotlighting two [CACFP Ambassadors](#) whose work shows what CACFP makes possible every day.

At [The Academy for Young Scholars](#) in Binghamton, owner Anna Raheem has spent over a decade weaving mealtimes into the learning day. Anna builds positive food habits through hands-on cooking activities, from preschoolers making snacks to baking a cake together for the Academy's 11th anniversary.

At [Jessica's Daycare](#) in Monticello, owner Jessica Dean takes a "seed to belly" approach. Children grow and harvest produce in a garden, and help create dishes like fresh tomato caprese salad and sweet potato brownies.

For both programs, CACFP reimbursement does more than help cover food costs. It supports the kind of thoughtful, nourishing programming that families count on.



Left: Children at Jessica's Daycare helping out in the garden



Right: Students bake a cake to celebrate The Academy for Young Scholars' anniversary

Share Your CACFP Story

CACFP providers, we want to hear from you! [Use this form](#) to tell us how CACFP makes a difference in your program and community. Your story can help us elevate the experiences and priorities of program operators in our communications with lawmakers, partners, and other stakeholders. We will contact you before sharing your story.

Share your story here

Learn More About CACFP

Visit [AfterschoolMealsNY.org](https://afterschoolmealsny.org) and [ChildCareMealsNY.org](https://childcaremealsny.org) to learn about eligibility, access resources, and more.

Questions about CACFP or interested in getting started?

Contact Kayla.Snyder@HungerSolutionsNY.org to learn more.

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