

MEAL SERVICE SCHEDULING

- PURPOSE:** This instruction sets forth the policy concerning what time of day a breakfast must be served in order to qualify for Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) meal reimbursement.
- SCOPE:** Sponsors and providers participating in the Child and Adult Care Food Program.
- DESCRIPTION:** The School Breakfast Program regulations at §220.0, state in part that a breakfast means “a meal which . . . is served to a child in the morning hours. . .” Therefore, for purposes of participation in the CACFP, all approved facilities may only claim breakfast meal services that are served during the morning hours. In most cases, this will be the first meal service of the day at the facility.
- A supplement (snack) can be served any time of the day. Supplemental meal services are intended to provide nourishment to participants between meals. To further improve the nutritional status of participants, additional foods may be served with each meal or supplement. However, additional reimbursement is not available for any extra cost incurred.
- SOURCE:** FY 1994 Child and Adult Care Food Program Policy Memorandum #2: Meal Service Scheduling.