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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Directors of Residential Child Care Institutions  
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**FROM:** Aimee F. Beam, MS, RD, LDN   
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**SUBJECT:** **2022 Operational Memo #23 - REVISED**  
**Income Eligibility Guidelines**

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USDA published its annual notice adjusting the Income Eligibility Guidelines for Free and Reduced Priced Meals on February 16, 2022. The annual adjustment of the guidelines will be **effective July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023.**

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.

- **Resending due to categories flipped. So as not to confuse, we adjusted the categories to reflect past charts that were sent out.**

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

Attachment: Income Eligibility Guidelines

cc: Nutrition Team



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Effective Date: July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

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	\$17,667	\$1,473	\$737	\$680	\$340	\$25,142	\$2,096	\$1,048	\$967	\$484
2	\$23,803	\$1,984	\$992	\$916	\$458	\$33,874	\$2,823	\$1,412	\$1,303	\$652
3	\$29,939	\$2,495	\$1,248	\$1,152	\$576	\$42,606	\$3,551	\$1,776	\$1,639	\$820
4	\$36,075	\$3,007	\$1,504	\$1,388	\$694	\$51,338	\$4,279	\$2,140	\$1,975	\$988
5	\$42,211	\$3,518	\$1,759	\$1,624	\$812	\$60,070	\$5,006	\$2,503	\$2,311	\$1,156
6	\$48,347	\$4,029	\$2,015	\$1,860	\$930	\$68,802	\$5,734	\$2,867	\$2,647	\$1,324
7	\$54,483	\$4,541	\$2,271	\$2,096	\$1,048	\$77,534	\$6,462	\$3,231	\$2,983	\$1,492
8	\$60,619	\$5,052	\$2,526	\$2,332	\$1,166	\$86,266	\$7,189	\$3,595	\$3,318	\$1,659
<b>For each additional household member, add:</b>	\$6,136	\$512	\$256	\$236	\$118	\$8,732	\$728	\$364	\$336	\$168