

JC Family Home Association

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The Good News

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**Provider Appreciation Day** is May 8, 2020 – No year has this been as emphasized as much as this one. When others panic; and you may have felt like panicking, but you couldn’t because you had to re-structure your business to meet with the standards and requirements set forth by KDHE during this pandemic. You’ve had to clean your facilities even more than you were, have strict policies with your parents concerning dropping off and picking up of their child, and somehow get grocery shopping done. You stepped up as you always do to take care of your children. We are proud of you!

**May Is . . .**

**National Food Days**

* [**Orange Juice Day**](https://food.unl.edu/#orange)**(May 4)**
* [**No Diet Day**](https://food.unl.edu/#diet)**(May 6)**
* [**Shrimp Day**](https://food.unl.edu/#shrimp)**(May 10)**
* [**Quiche Lorraine Day**](https://food.unl.edu/#quiche)**(May 20)**
* [**Brown-Bag-It Day**](https://food.unl.edu/#brown)**(May 25)**

**National Food Weeks**

* [**Herb Week**](https://food.unl.edu/#herb)**(1st Week)**
* [**Screen-Free Week**](https://food.unl.edu/#tvturnoffweek)**(May 4-10, 2020, the first week of May) \***
* [**Women's Health Week**](https://food.unl.edu/#health)**(May 10-16, 2020 - begins on Mother's day each year) \***
* [**Food Allergy Week**](https://food.unl.edu/#health)**(May 12-18, 2019) \***
* [**Frozen Yogurt Week**](https://food.unl.edu/#yogurt)**(4th Week)**

**National Food Months**

* [**Asparagus Month**](https://food.unl.edu/#asparagus)
* [**Barbecue Month**](https://food.unl.edu/#barbecue)
* [**Beef Month**](https://food.unl.edu/#beef)
* [**Celiac Awareness Month**](https://food.unl.edu/#CeliacAwareness_Month)
* [**Egg Month**](https://food.unl.edu/#egg)
* [**Hamburger Month / Hamburger Day**](https://food.unl.edu/#hamburger)
* [**Mediterranean Diet Month**](https://food.unl.edu/#mediterranean)
* [**Osteoporosis Prevention Month**](https://food.unl.edu/#osteoporosis)
* [**Salad Month**](https://food.unl.edu/#salad)
* [**Salsa Month**](https://food.unl.edu/#salsa)
* [**Strawberry Month**](https://food.unl.edu/#strawberry)

**\* Day(s) changes yearly**

<https://food.unl.edu/may-food-calendar>

**New Crediting Food Book**

The new book is in print as I type this and we will be bringing it to you on home visits starting in July. We will be training on the book in spring of 2021. In this newsletter and the ones following I will highlight something important for us to know. The Crediting Food Book works closely with the Food Buying Guide and we will all have to become familiar with that tool as well. This newsletter I’m focusing on Meat/Meat/Alternates some of these products need the CN Label or Product Formulation Statements. The following is a list of food items that need documentation in order to be reimbursable:

* Turkey Bacon
* Beef Jerky
* Bologna containing byproducts, cereals, binders or extenders
* Canned or Frozen Combination Foods such as: Stews, Beef-a-Roni, Chili, Macaroni, Pizzas, Pot Pies, and Ravolis
* Chicken Nuggets
* Corn dogs if the hot dog contains byproducts, cereals, binders or extenders
* Dried and Simi Dried Meat, Poultry, and Seafood snacks, shelf-stable
* Fish Sticks or Portions
* Hot dog if it contains byproducts, cereals, binders or extenders
* Luncheon Meats
* Commercial Spaghetti sauce with meat
* Meat and Poultry Sticks in a jar
* Pasta/Noodles (made from beans/peas
* Pepperoni
* Turkey Pepperoni
* Commercial Pizza
* Polish Sausage
* Commercial Pot Pies
* Salami
* Sausage that isn’t fresh pork sausage or Italian sausage
* Commercial Soup
* Vienna Sausage

**Tentative Reimbursement Dates**

**April Claim – May 29**, May Claim – June 19, June Claim – July 31, July Claim, August 28, August Claim – September 25, September Claim – October 30, October Claim – November 24, November Claim – December 31.

**Online Training**

I’ve sent out e-mails with this information and I’ll follow up with more e-mails and phone calls in the months to come. Thanks you for those who have already completed the training and sent in their certificates.

**Home Visits**

Even though we are not doing home visits right now, we have been trying to mail out paperwork or drop paperwork off to you as you need it. Please understand that doing your paperwork daily is very important.

**New From KSDE**

**Financial Assistance for Child Care Available Now – Two Grant Funding Opportunities - Hero Relief Program**

Child care providers are vitally important to the families and communities they serve, especially during the COVID-19 crisis. Child care providers can apply NOW to receive funds from the Kansas Department for Children and Families Hero Relief Program. These benefits are designed to help providers with the expenses incurred as they provide safe, dependable child care during the pandemic.

COVID-19 Supply Funds - To help providers cover the cost of special supplies for coping with the pandemic, like thermometers, gloves, soap, cleaning wipes, and much more.

COVID-19 Sustainability Funds - To help providers recover some of the negative impact on your child care business due to the pandemic. This temporary stipend can be used to cover all items on an operating budget, such as enrollment, food, supplies, and much more. Information about both of these funding opportunities can be found at <https://mcusercontent.com/6ff535b26530197328bf9fa94/files/561bfb10-9f63-4dfb-995b94424d3b18f3/Hero_Relief_Program_Supply_Sustainability_Messaging_Final_Accessible.pdf>. Applications for these funding opportunities can be accessed at <https://ks.childcareaware.org/heroreliefprogram/>. Questions about these funding opportunities should be directed to Child Care Aware of Kansas by email grants@ks.childcareaware.org or phone 1-855-750-3343.

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