

TABLETALK

JUNE, 2009 ❁ CHILD FOOD PROGRAM OF TEXAS ❁ P.O. BOX 5465 ❁ KATY, TX 77491 ❁ 281-395-7000, TOLL-FREE: 877-395-6560, Fax: 281-395-7002

Income Eligibility Guidelines for 2009-2010 Day Care Homes

The new Income Chart for determining Tier 1 providers due to income will go into effect as of 7/1/2009. If you are a tier 2 provider and would like to try to income qualify, or a tier 1 provider by area school who has resident children and are not already claiming them, call the office to determine if you are now eligible to income qualify

Vacation and Holidays Day Care Homes and Centers

If you have plans to be closed, call the office in advance so that your monitor will not schedule a review on those dates. If you are not claiming the entire month or open on a holiday:

- 1) Providers claiming using Web-Kids, add a note under meal count/claim notes
- 2) Providers claiming using Scanned forms, add a note to the Claim Information Form (CIF)
- 3) Centers send a note with your monthly receipt packet.

Enrollment Forms For Day Care Homes

New regulations require providers keep a signed copy of every child enrollment form as well as sending us a signed copy. These forms must be available for review by our monitors and any state visits. Providers using Web Kids internet program should enroll children through the program. Then print 2 copies, have parents sign both and send us one. Scan form users will get 2-part enrollment forms starting in October. For now, do the best you can to make a signed copy for yourself.

Kitchen Inspection For All Caregivers

We will be inspecting your kitchen during your next review. It is intended to be a fun as well as instructional activity. When you pass, you'll be given a certificate to display. This will demonstrate your professionalism to the parents. If, by a strange occurrence, you do not pass, you will have the opportunity to correct your problems.



Tips from Chef Bob

FUN TACO CUPS

Ingredients: 1 lb. ground beef; 1 pkg. (1-1/4 oz.) Taco Seasoning Mix; 1 can (10 oz.) refrigerated buttermilk biscuits; 1/2 cup Shredded Cheddar Cheese

Directions: Heat oven to 400°F. Cook meat with seasoning mix as directed on package. Press biscuits onto bottoms and up sides of 10 muffin cups; fill with meat mixture. Bake 15 min. Sprinkle with cheese; bake 2 to 3 min. or until melted.

SCHEDULED DATES FOR 2009 TRAINING

Please Note: This training is for licensing clock hours. Beginning in October, there will be no training classes scheduled. All mandatory training will be given to you by our monitors during one of their visits.

<u>Date</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Location & Time</u>
August	TBA	Dallas & Houston Areas

Please note: there is no Plano class this year.