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PROVIDER APPRECIATION DAY

May 8, 2015 is Provider Appreciation Day! This unofficial national holiday was started in 1996 by a group of volunteers in New Jersey to recognize providers who care for children of working parents. Everyone at Child Nutrition, Inc. would like to thank you for your hard work and dedication.



PARENT SURVEYS

Parent Surveys are sent out each month to parents of those children who participate in the Child and Adult Care Food Program. The results from the surveys tell us if providers are serving nutritious snacks and meals and if they are maintaining records correctly.

Positive comments from recent surveys included - When asked if their child is happy with food being served, parents are happy to say: "Yes, very much." "Yes, they love it." "My son says our provider is a good cook!"

Thank you to Pamela Haynes, Meena Kashkari, Geteey Omar and all our providers for doing a great job serving healthy and delicious meals.

WELCOME NEW PROVIDERS

We would like to welcome the following new providers who have joined the food program in February and March 2015.

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| <i>Marisela Aguilar</i> | <i>Diana Korkor</i> |
| <i>Sadia Bibi</i> | <i>Katherine Maldonado</i> |
| <i>Frances Briley</i> | <i>Silvia Miranda</i> |
| <i>Afroz Ghobadi</i> | <i>Megan Palmer</i> |
| <i>Erika Gonzalez</i> | <i>Mahrukh Qizilbash</i> |
| <i>Darlene Hammond</i> | <i>Tanzina Tania</i> |
| <i>Yesenia Hernandez</i> | <i>Ligia Varela</i> |
| <i>Sharae Keemer</i> | <i>Summer White</i> |

We look forward to working with each of you. Please feel free to contact your field specialist or call our office at 1-800-735-5434 if you have any questions.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

ENROLLMENTS

- submit enrollments within 5 days of a child starting in your daycare
- review enrollments before sending to CNI
- incomplete enrollments will be returned

ATTENDANCE

- print *and* sign name on attendance forms
- no writing in the dot area
- dots need to be filled in completely
 - correct ☉ wrong
- carefully fill in the correct numbers for each date - if you accidentally fill in the same date twice, the computer will disallow the duplicate date - we want you to get credit for each meal served

EXAMPLE OF ATTENDANCE SHEET

PLEASE
DONT
WRITE
ANYTHING
IN THE
DOT AREA

SAMPLE

WEBSITES

National Physical Fitness and Sports Month - May
<http://healthymeals.nal.usda.gov/features-month/may/national-physical-fitness-and-sports-month>

National Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Month - June
<http://healthymeals.nal.usda.gov/features-month/june/national-fresh-fruit-and-vegetable-month>

MARCH / APRIL WINNER

Congratulations to Latasha Jones from Alexandria, Provider #2535! Her name was chosen in the drawing. She will receive a \$25 restaurant gift card.

Thank you to everyone who entered.

NEWSLETTER DRAWING

As a thank you for all you do, we would like to give you an opportunity to receive a gift card to a local restaurant!

All providers who submit their name from this newsletter will be entered in the drawing.

There are three ways to enter

- send in the entry form from this newsletter
- send an email to sheilaj@cni-usda.org
- call our office at 1-800-735-5434

Be sure to mention the May/June 2015 Newsletter when you email or call.

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MAY/JUNE 2015 ENTRY

NAME: _____

PROVIDER NUMBER: _____



RECIPES

APPLE SMILES



Red Apples
Peanut Butter
Miniature Marshmallows

1. Wash apples, slice in half and remove cores.
2. Slice each apple into 8 slices.
3. Spread peanut butter on one side of each slice of apple.
4. Place three or four marshmallows (teeth) on top of the peanut butter.
5. Top with another apple slice, (peanut butter side down), and press slightly together to complete the smile.

FRUIT PIZZA TO GO

English Muffins (whole wheat)
Whipped Fat-Free Strawberry Cream Cheese
Sliced Strawberries
Sliced Grapes
Mandarin Orange Slices



Toast the English muffins. Spread cream cheese on the toasted muffins. Arrange the sliced fruit on top of the cream cheese.

This recipe can be made with any flavor of cream cheese and any fruit.

FUN FOOD FACTS

- * Unlike some other fruits, strawberries don't continue to ripen after they are picked.
- * The top of a pineapple, after cleaning and drying, can be planted in soil and a new plant will grow.
- * China is the largest producer of tomatoes.
- * If all the blueberries grown in North America in one year were spread out in a single layer, they would cover a four-lane highway that stretched from New York to Chicago.