

# CHILD AND ADULT CARE FOOD PROGRAM

## PUBLIC MEDIA RELEASE - FISCAL YEAR 2026

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**Media Release sent to: LEADS' Social Media- Facebook, Agency Website      **Date: 9/17/2025****

**The LEADS Head Start agency announces sponsorship of the USDA-funded CACFP. Participating sites:**

Newark Center – 986 East Main Street, Newark, OH 43055  
 Utica Center - 308 North Main Street, Utica, OH 43080  
 Pataskala Center - 12536 Adams Lane SW, Pataskala, Ohio 43062  
 Marysville Center – 111 Morey Drive, Marysville, OH 43040  
 Delaware Center – 607 Sunbury Road, Delaware, OH 43015

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The following Income Eligibility Guidelines for free and reduced price meals are effective  
 July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026

|                                  | FREE - 130% |         |                 |                 |        | REDUCED – 185% |         |                 |                 |        |
|----------------------------------|-------------|---------|-----------------|-----------------|--------|----------------|---------|-----------------|-----------------|--------|
| HOUSEHOLD SIZE                   | ANNUAL      | MONTHLY | TWICE PER MONTH | EVERY TWO WEEKS | WEEKLY | ANNUAL         | MONTHLY | TWICE PER MONTH | EVERY TWO WEEKS | WEEKLY |
| 1                                | \$20,345    | 1,696   | 848             | 783             | 392    | \$28,953       | 2,413   | 1,207           | 1,114           | 557    |
| 2                                | \$27,495    | 2,292   | 1,146           | 1,058           | 529    | \$39,128       | 3,261   | 1,631           | 1,505           | 753    |
| 3                                | \$34,645    | 2,888   | 1,444           | 1,333           | 667    | \$49,303       | 4,109   | 2,055           | 1,897           | 949    |
| 4                                | \$41,795    | 3,483   | 1,742           | 1,608           | 804    | \$59,478       | 4,957   | 2,479           | 2,288           | 1,144  |
| 5                                | \$48,945    | 4,079   | 2,040           | 1,883           | 942    | \$69,653       | 5,805   | 2,903           | 2,679           | 1,340  |
| 6                                | \$56,095    | 4,675   | 2,338           | 2,158           | 1,079  | \$79,828       | 6,653   | 3,327           | 3,071           | 1,536  |
| 7                                | \$63,245    | 5,271   | 2,636           | 2,433           | 1,217  | \$90,003       | 7,501   | 3,751           | 3,462           | 1,731  |
| 8                                | \$70,395    | 5,867   | 2,934           | 2,708           | 1,354  | \$100,178      | 8,349   | 4,175           | 3,853           | 1,927  |
| For each add'l family member add | \$7,150     | 596     | 298             | 275             | 138    | \$10,175       | 848     | 424             | 392             | 196    |