

Child Nutrition Thursday Update

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New Recipes in the ICN Child Nutrition Recipe Box

Coming Soon! The Farm to School Cook-off

Child Nutrition Training

ServSafe Managers Class/Exam

Local Foods Training with the Good Crust

Happy Holidays!

The Child Nutrition Office will be closed on

December 24th & 25th

January 1st

The next Thursday Update will be available on January 9th

Child Nutrition Website - <https://www.maine.gov/doe/schools/nutrition>

Child Nutrition List Serve Email - child.nutrition@maillist.informe.org

From the ICN New Recipes in the Child Nutrition Recipe Box

Fifteen standardized recipes have been added to the [Child Nutrition Recipe Box \(CNRB\)](#), 7 of which are existing favorites that have been revised to reflect updates from the final rule, “Child Nutrition Programs: Meal Patterns Consistent With the 2020–2025 Dietary Guidelines for Americans,” and 8 new recipes that provide additional ideas for breakfast and lunch menus. The 8 new recipes include Whole Wheat Pancakes, Cauliflower Rice, Chicken Salad, Griddle Corn Cakes, Breakfast Bowl, Taco Salad, Sweet Potato Hummus, and Quinoa Bowl. The 7 revised recipes are Pumpkin Bread, Oatmeal Muffin Squares, Kati Kati Chicken, Jerk Fish Wrap, Orange Glazed Carrots, Orange Glazed Sweet Potatoes, and Vegetable Frittata.

USDA Standardized Recipes provide program operators and menu planners with appealing and practical menu options for the National School Lunch Program, School Breakfast Program, and the Child and Adult Care Food Program.

You may access the newly-released recipes in the [Child Nutrition Recipe Box – USDA Standardized Recipes \(theicn.org\)](#).

COMING SOON

Registration for the
2025 Farm to School Cook-off

Stay Tuned!



Child Nutrition Training

The links to register are in the training titles.

We are unable to hold virtual and in person training simultaneously.

All of our webinars are recorded and put on our website within a week of the training.

Please mark your calendars once you have registered.

Webinars

Completing Your SY2026 Annual Order

January 14, 2025

1:30pm

Terri will go over the steps
you need to take in order to
complete your Annual Order
for SY2026

Financial Webinar: Child Nutrition Budget

January 16, 2025

1:30pm

This webinar intended for new
managers and directors and will
review basic tools for developing
a Child Nutrition Budget.

Child Nutrition Updates & Reminders

January 27, 2025

1:30pm

We will review key updates
and reminders and talk
about the importance of
inventory. There will be
time at the end for Q and A.

ServSafe Test Only

January 28, 2025

2:00pm

Child Nutrition Office, Room 101

Charge for exam is \$51

Registration deadline is January 10, 2025

ServSafe-Managers

Class and Exam

Bucksport High School Library

102 Broadway

Bucksport

Tuesday, February 18, 2025 - 9:00am

Wednesday, February 19, 2025 - 8:00am-approx. noon for the test

The class is for school food service and CACFP only

Books are ordered and mail once registration has ended

Please note start times for each day

Bring photo id, pen or pencils with erasers

You must provide an email address as certificates are sent via email.

Please note testing start time on the second day

Lunch is NOT provided. Please bring a lunch.

Charge for the class is \$102

Payable by credit card, at the time of registration.

Registration deadline - January 24, 2025

Local Foods Training with the Good Crust!

Wednesday, January 8, 2025

9:00am-1:00pm

Child Nutrition Culinary Classroom

Deering Building

90 Blossom Lane

Augusta

Join The Good Crust and learn different ways to prepare their dough made with 100% Maine grown grain! Beyond pizza, the good crust can be used to create other culinary delights, like bialys (similar to a bagel; a hit during breakfast!) using their 2 oz ready to fill dough rounds. This training is eligible for districts operating NSLP to receive an extra \$500 in state Local Foods Fund reimbursements (which can be used to purchase The Good Crust dough!)

Please reach out to Katie with any questions at

katie.knowles@maine.gov

A festive Christmas-themed background featuring a blue and white bokeh effect. The scene is decorated with various ornaments including red and white striped spheres, solid red spheres, and star-shaped ornaments. Pine branches with snow and gold streamers are visible on the left and right sides.

Merry
Christmas!

A Hanukkah-themed background with a light blue background. It features several blue and silver Star of David ornaments, a silver dreidel, and a menorah with gold lights. A gift wrapped in blue paper with a large gold bow is on the left.

Happy
Hanukah!

A Kwanzaa-themed background with a warm, dark wood grain texture. It features seven lit candles in a row: three red, one black, and three green. In the foreground, there are oranges, a wooden mortar and pestle, and a small gift wrapped in red paper with a red bow.

Happy
Kwanzaa!