



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



TO: Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) Home Sponsors

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SUBJECT: Operational Memorandum #05H-09
School Area Eligibility Data for Day Care Home Tier I Determinations

Enclosed is a listing of area eligible elementary schools to be used for making Tier I eligibility determinations for day care homes in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP). The new list is based on school data from the month of October 2008. As a reminder, Operational Memorandum #07H-07 stated, "Federal Regulations do not specify a definition of "elementary school" in the law. Consequentially, states may define "elementary" in the way the term is typically used in the State." In Connecticut, the term "elementary" is used to reflect schools from PK - Grade 8.

All schools presented on the **List of Area Eligible Elementary Schools-October 2008 Data** reflect schools in which 50 percent or more of the enrolled children are eligible for free or reduced price meals in the National School Lunch Program. Any provider who operates a day care home in the attendance area of a listed school would be eligible as a Tier I day care home provider. In some instances, there may be more than one school that services a particular address. In this circumstance, either one of the schools may be used to make the Tier I determination. For example, a provider who lives on Centennial Avenue in Meriden would be area eligible using either Benjamin Franklin School or Lincoln Middle School. Since both of these schools are on the Area Eligible Elementary School List, a sponsor would choose either school and document that determination on the sponsor/provider agreement.

The new school data is effective **February 1, 2009** and would impact:

- the annual review of eligibility of providers sponsored by agencies with a policy of annual re-determination of all providers; and
- all providers new to CACFP or those who have relocated as of February 1, 2009.

The following towns and schools have been added to the list since last year:

<u>Town</u>	<u>School(s)</u>
Bloomfield	Carmen Arace Middle School Metacomet School
Bridgeport	Johnson School (previously Webster School) Tisdale School (previously McKinley School)
East Haven	Grove J. Tuttle School
Groton	Claude Chester School Mary Morrisson School
Hamden	Ridge Hill School
Hartford	Fisher School
Manchester	Robertson School Waddell Elementary School
Naugatuck	Hop Brook Intermediate School
New Haven	Conte/West Hill Magnet School
Norwich	John M. Moriarty School
Putnam	Putnam Elementary School Putnam Middle School
Shelton	Lafayette School

The following towns and schools have either closed or no longer meet the 50 percent enrollment requirements for area eligibility:

<u>Town</u>	<u>School(s)</u>
Bridgeport	Garfield School Maplewood Annex McKinley School Webster School
East Hartford	Joseph O. Goodwin School
Hartford	Barnard Brown School Twain School
New Haven	Edgewood School Nathan Hale School Timothy Dwight School
Stamford	Hart School

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Current street assignment lists will be forwarded as they become available. Please review this information carefully and contact Susan Bohuslaw at 860-807-2073 or susan.bohuslaw@ct.gov with any questions.

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Enclosure

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