



Child and Adult Care Food Program Policy (CACFP)

In YoungStar, programs with current ratings based on 2015 or 2016 YoungStar Evaluation Criteria may have been awarded one point for participating in CACFP. This participation was verified by the Technical Consultant. Beginning in August 2012, DPI began notifying YoungStar when a child care provider is removed from CACFP. YoungStar will be notified after the period of time in which the program can appeal has lapsed.

For any program with a current rating based on 2015 or 2016 YoungStar Evaluation Criteria

When a program is terminated from CACFP, the Department of Children and Families will take the following actions:

1. As soon as DCF is notified, we will amend the rating so that the program loses the point for CACFP participation beginning the date the program's CACFP participation is ended. This means that the program will drop to 2 Stars because this point is required for 3 Star ratings.
2. DCF will send a letter informing the program of the change.
3. DCF will notify the local YoungStar office of the change.

For any program with a current rating based on 2017 Evaluation Criteria

If a program is terminated from CACFP, it will have no impact on YoungStar rating points or star level.

If a program has any questions about the CACFP policy or any other YoungStar points earned or not earned, they can contact their local YoungStar office.