

Infant Meal Notification Letter

To: Parents of infants less than 12 months old

From: **Sand Box, Inc. 664 W. Cedar Street, Medford, WI 54451**

Topic: Infant Meal Authorization

All children enrolled in this center, including infants, are eligible for meals through the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP). Child care centers in the program are reimbursed to help with the cost of serving nutritious meals to enrolled children. The meals must meet CACFP nutrition guidelines for children and infants. To meet CACFP requirements this center will provide formula and other foods for infants.

The iron-fortified formula the center offers for infants through their first year is

PARENT'S CHOICE INFANT GENTLE FORMULA w/ IRON (milk based)

You may decide to bring your own formula and other infant foods that meet the CACFP Infant Meal Pattern requirements. *A copy of the CACFP Infant Meal Pattern is printed on the back of this letter.* The center will claim reimbursement for your infant's meals when a meal contains only breast milk or infant formula (which meets Program requirements), regardless of whom supplies the formula, and at least one food component of a meal is provided by the center (according to the meal pattern) when the infant is developmentally ready for semi-solid foods. As always, the center will introduce semi-solids to your infant in respect of the decision made by you and your baby's doctor.

Please check your preference:

I will provide breast milk for my infant

I want the center to supply the infant formula for my infant

I will provide infant formula for my infant

Infant foods: iron-fortified infant cereal, fruits/vegetables, meat/meat alternates, enriched snack crackers, and 100% full strength juice

Because your infant will reach higher developmental stages as he/she is in the care of the center and therefore will be ready to eat different foods at different times, please keep the center informed of you and your doctor's decision on when to introduce various semi-solid foods and if you would prefer the center to supply these foods.

Infant's name _____ Birth date _____

Parent's/Guardian's signature _____ Date _____

Child and Adult Care Food Program meal benefits are available to all eligible children regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability.