

Resource List for Food Safety in Child Nutrition Programs

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For resources on the requirements for Child Nutrition Programs, refer to the CSDE's [Resource List for Child Nutrition Programs](#). For additional resource lists related to nutrition and healthy school environments, visit the CSDE's [Resources for Child Nutrition Programs](#) webpage.



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Disaster Preparedness and Response

Child Nutrition Programs During Disaster (USDA):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/disaster/child-nutrition-programs-during-disaster>

Designing An Emergency Preparedness Templates (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/designing-an-emergency-preparedness-templates/>

Disaster Feeding Guidance for USDA Foods (“Documents/Forms” section of CSDE’s Food Distribution Program webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/SDE/Nutrition/Food-Distribution-Program-USDA-Foods/Documents#DisasterFeedingGuidance>

Emergency Response Pocket Guide (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/emergency-response-pocket-guide/>

FNS-101: Disaster Assistance (USDA):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/fns-101-disaster-assistance>

Food Safety Emergency Response (USDA):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/fs/food-safety-emergency-response>

Food Safety Fact Sheet: Salvaging Food After a Flood (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/resources/521/food-safety-fact-sheets/107146/salvaging-food-after-a-flood.pdf>

Food Safety in a Disaster or Emergency (U.S. Department of Health and Human Services):

<https://www.foodsafety.gov/keep-food-safe/food-safety-in-disaster-or-emergency>

Preparing for Water Safety Disasters Fact Sheet (Institute of Child Nutrition):

https://theicn.org/wpfd_file/preparing-for-water-safety-disasters-fact-sheet/

Reopening Your School Kitchen after a Flood (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/resources/521/food-safety-fact-sheets/107145/reopening-your-school-kitchen-after-a-flood.pdf>

Responding to Emergencies Fact Sheet (Institute of Child Nutrition):

https://theicn.org/wpfd_file/responding-to-emergencies-fact-sheet/

Tips for Handling Food Following a Disaster (USDA):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/disaster/tips-handling-food-following-disaster>

USDA Foods in Disasters Manual (USDA):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/usda-foods/program-disaster-manual>

USDA Memo SP 04-2020, CACFP 03-2020, and SFSP 03-2020: Meal Service During Unanticipated School Closures:

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/cn/meal-service-during-unanticipated-school-closures>

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Employee Health and Personal Hygiene

Employee Health and Personal Hygiene for Child Nutrition Professionals (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/employee-health-and-personal-hygiene/>

Employee Health and Personal Hygiene Handbook (U.S. Food and Drug Administration):

<https://www.fda.gov/food/retail-food-industryregulatory-assistance-training/retail-food-protection-employee-health-and-personal-hygiene-handbook>

Food Recalls and Alerts

Food Recalls and Outbreaks (U.S. Department of Health & Human Services):

<https://www.foodsafety.gov/recalls-and-outbreaks>

Recalls and Public Health Alerts (USDA Food Safety and Inspection Service):

<https://www.fsis.usda.gov/wps/portal/fsis/topics/recalls-and-public-health-alerts>

Responding to a Food Recall (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/food-recall/>

Responding to a Food Recall: Procedures for Recalls of USDA Foods (USDA):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/fs/responding-food-recall-procedures-usda-foods>

Standard Operating Procedure (SOP): Handling a Food Recall (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/resources/181/food-safety-standard-operating-procedures/105684/handling-a-food-recall.docx>

Food Safety Education and Training

Food Safety Basics (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/food-safety-basics>

Food Safety Education (Iowa State University):

<https://www.extension.iastate.edu/foodsafety/>

Food Safety Fact Sheets: English and Spanish (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/food-safety-fact-sheets/>

Food Safety for Summer Meals (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/food-safety-for-summer-meals/>

Food Safety Mini Posters: English and Spanish (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/food-safety-mini-posters/>

Food Safety Research Information Office (FSRIO) (USDA):

<https://www.nal.usda.gov/fsrio>

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Food Safety Resources: English and Spanish (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/food-safety/>

Food Safety Videos (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/foodsafety-videos/>

Food Safety Videos: A Flash of Food Safety (USDA):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/ofs/food-safety-flashes>

The Partnership for Food Safety Education:

<https://www.fightbac.org/>

Food Safety Education for Children

Curricula and Programs (Grades K-12) (Partnership for Food Safety Education):

<https://www.fightbac.org/kidsfoodsafety/curricula-and-programs/>

Educational Worksheets: Hand Washing Lesson Plans for Kindergarten through Grade 6 (Glo Germ):

<https://www.glogerm.com/worksheets.html>

Food Safety Education Resources for Families (USDA Food Safety and Inspection Service):

<https://www.fsis.usda.gov/wps/portal/fsis/topics/food-safety-education/teach-others/download-materials/for-kids-and-teens>

Food Safety for Kids & Teens (FDA):

<https://www.fda.gov/food/people-risk-foodborne-illness/food-safety-kids-teens>

Kids Games and Activities (Partnership for Food Safety Education):

<https://www.fightbac.org/kidsfoodsafety/kids-games-and-activities/>

USDA Food Safety Mobile: Coloring Book (USDA Food Safety and Inspection Service):

<https://www.govinfo.gov/app/details/GOVPUB-A110-PURL-LPS68817>

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Food Safety Resources

Chemical Contaminants & Pesticides (FDA):

<https://www.fda.gov/food/chemical-contaminants-pesticides>

Extension Food Safety (Kansas State University):

<https://www.ksre.k-state.edu/foodsafety/>

Food Product Dating (USDA Food Safety and Inspection Service):

<https://www.fsis.usda.gov/wps/portal/fsis/topics/food-safety-education/get-answers/food-safety-fact-sheets/food-labeling/food-product-dating/food-product-dating>

Food Safety (University of Connecticut):

<https://foodsafety.uconn.edu/>

Food Safety (USDA Food Safety and Inspection Service):

<https://www.fsis.usda.gov/food-safety>

Food Safety and Quality (Penn State Extension):

<https://extension.psu.edu/food-safety-and-quality>

Food Safety Educational Materials (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention):

<https://www.cdc.gov/foodsafety/communication/index.html>

Food Safety Resources (USDA):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/fs/food-safety-resources>

Four Steps to Food Safety: Clean, Separate, Cook, Chill (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention):

<https://www.cdc.gov/foodsafety/keep-food-safe.html>

Freezing and Food Safety (USDA Food Safety and Inspection Service):

<https://www.fsis.usda.gov/food-safety/safe-food-handling-and-preparation/food-safety-basics/freezing-and-food-safety>

Keeping Bag Lunches Safe (USDA Food Safety and Inspection Service):

<https://www.fsis.usda.gov/food-safety/safe-food-handling-and-preparation/food-safety-basics/keeping-bag-lunches-safe>

Leafy Greens Safe Handling Posters (Iowa State University):

<https://store.extension.iastate.edu/product/hs7>

Meat & Poultry Hotline (USDA Food Safety and Inspection Service):

<https://www.fsis.usda.gov/food-safety/safe-food-handling-and-preparation/usda-meat-and-poultry-hotline>

Nutrition and Food Safety Education (USDA National Agricultural Library):

<https://www.nal.usda.gov/human-nutrition-and-food-safety/nutrition-and-food-safety-education>

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Produce Safety (USDA):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/fs/produce-safety>

Produce Safety Lab (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/produce-safety-lab/>

Research Publications (Food Safety) (USDA National Agricultural Library)::

<https://www.nal.usda.gov/human-nutrition-and-food-safety/research-publications-food-safety>

Safe Food Handling and Preparation (USDA FSAS):

<https://www.fsis.usda.gov/food-safety/safe-food-handling-and-preparation>

The Core Four Practices (Partnership for Food Safety Education):

<https://www.fightbac.org/food-safety-basics/the-core-four-practices/>

USDA Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS):

<https://www.fsis.usda.gov>

USDA Food Safety Research Information Office:

<https://www.nal.usda.gov/programs/fsrio>

Food Safety Resources for Child Care

CACFP Food Safety Toolkit (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/cacfp-food-safety-toolkit/>

Child Care Center Food Safety Guide (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/child-care-center-food-safety-guide/>

Child Care Food Safety Mini Posters (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/child-care-mini-posters/>

Child Care Training (Partnership for Food Safety Education):

<https://www.fightbac.org/kidsfoodsafety/young-children-child-care-training/>

Family Child Care Food Safety Kit (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/family-child-care-food-safety-kit/>

Food Safety in Child Care (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/food-safety-in-child-care/>

Food Safety Resources (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/food-safety/>

Food Safety Self-Inspection for Child-Care Facilities (University of Nebraska Cooperative Extension):

<https://extensionpubs.unl.edu/publication/g1232/pdf/view/g1232-2007.pdf>

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Food Safety Videos (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/food-safety-videos/>

Online Training: Food Safety in Child Care (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.docebos.com/learn/public/course/view/elearning/20/FoodSafetyinChildCare>

Responding to a Food Recall (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/food-recall/>

Spanish Child Care Child Food Safety Kit: Kit de seguridad alimentaria para niños de cuidado infantil español (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/spanish-family-child-care-food-safety-kit/>

Food Safety Resources for Schools

Center for Food Safety in Child Nutrition Programs (Kansas State University):

<https://cnsafefood.k-state.edu/>

Food Safety in Schools (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/food-safety-in-schools>

Food Safety in Schools Infographic (USDA):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/fs/food-safety-schools-infographic>

Food Safety in Schools Training (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/food-safety-in-schools>

Food Safety Mini-Posters (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/food-safety-mini-posters/>

Food Safety Resources (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/food-safety/>

Food Safety Standard Operating Procedures (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/food-safety-standard-operating-procedures/>

Food Safety Videos (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/food-safety-videos/>

Food-Safe Schools Action Guide: Creating a Culture of Food Safety (USDA):

<https://fns-prod.azureedge.us/sites/default/files/Food-Safe-Schools-Action-Guide.pdf>

Food-Safe Schools Action Guide: Creating a Culture of Food Safety (USDA):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/fs/foodsafeschools>

Online Training: Food Safety in Schools (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.docebos.com/learn/course/external/view/elearning/21/FoodSafetyinSchools>

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Produce Safety Lab (Culinary Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/produce-safety-lab/>

Responding to a Food Recall (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/food-recall/>

Standard Operating Procedures (Iowa State University):

<https://www.extension.iastate.edu/humansciences/SOP>

Taking Action to Build Food-Safe Schools (USDA):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/fs/taking-action-build-food-safe-schools>

Videos: Food Safety Flashes (USDA):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/ofs/food-safety-flashes>

Food Safety Resources for Summer Meals

Best Practices in SFSP – Cleaning and Sanitizing (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.docebosaas.com/learn/course/internal/view/elearning/133/BestPracticesinSFSP-CleaningandSanitizing>

Best Practices in SFSP – Personal Hygiene (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.docebosaas.com/learn/course/internal/view/elearning/134/BestPracticesinSFSP-PersonalHygiene>

Best Practices in SFSP – Time and Temperature Control (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.docebosaas.com/learn/course/internal/view/elearning/132/BestPracticesinSFSP-TimeandTemperatureControl>

Food Safety for Summer Meals (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/food-safety-for-summer-meals/>

Food Safety Resources (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/food-safety/>

Online Training: Best Practices in SFSP – Clearing and Sanitizing (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.docebosaas.com/learn/course/external/view/elearning/133/BestPracticesinSFS P-CleaningandSanitizing>

Online Training: Best Practices in SFSP – Personal Hygiene (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.docebosaas.com/learn/course/external/view/elearning/134/BestPracticesinSFS P-PersonalHygiene>

Online Training: Best Practices in SFSP – Time and Temperature Control (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.docebosaas.com/learn/course/external/view/elearning/132/BestPracticesinSFS P-TimeandTemperatureControl>

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Online Training: S.T.A.R. Strategies for Implementing Safe Summer Meals (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.docebos.com/learn/course/external/view/elearning/104/STARStrategiesforImplementingSafeSummerMealsApr2019>

Summer Meals Food Safety Kit (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/summer-meals-food-safety-kit/>

Summer Meals Food Safety Training Guide (Institute of Child Nutrition):

https://theicn.org/wpfd_file/summer-meals-food-safety-training-guide-2/

Food Thermometers

Appliance Thermometers (USDA Food Safety and Inspection Service):

<https://www.fsis.usda.gov/food-safety/safe-food-handling-and-preparation/food-safety-basics/appliance-thermometers>

Grab and Go Lesson: How to Use a Metal-Stem Thermometer (Institute of Child Nutrition):

https://theicn.org/wpfd_file/grab-and-go-lesson-how-to-use-a-metal-stem-thermometer/

Kitchen Thermometers (USDA Food Safety and Inspection Service):

<https://www.fsis.usda.gov/food-safety/safe-food-handling-and-preparation/food-safety-basics/kitchen-thermometers>

Pass the Taste Test...Use a Thermometer! (University of Nebraska):

<https://food.unl.edu/documents/PassThermometerTest.pdf>

Thermometer Calibration Guide (Kansas State University):

<https://www.asi.k-state.edu/doc/meat-science/thermometer-calibration-guide-2.pdf>

Use That Thermometer Mini Poster: English (Institute of Child Nutrition):

https://theicn.org/wpfd_file/use-that-thermometer/

Video: A Flash of Food Safety Calibrating a Thermometer: Boiling Method (USDA):

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y2SZAWFVYUY&list=PL8wgGeKVh_7cef0FpLyFNHpXBNHBTYzJi&index=4

Video: A Flash of Food Safety Calibrating a Thermometer: Boiling Method: Spanish (USDA):

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IZkoKoZalTQ&list=PL8wgGeKVh_7cef0FpLyFNHpXBNHBTYzJi&index=9

Video: A Flash of Food Safety Calibrating a Thermometer: Ice Water Method (USDA):

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KCjb85pZb6c>

Video: A Flash of Food Safety Calibrating a Thermometer: Ice Water Method: Spanish (USDA):

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tcrediblesRNlvGwo&list=PL8wgGeKVh_7cef0FpLyFNHpXBNHBTYzJi&index=8

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Foodborne Diseases

A-Z Index for Foodborne Illness (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention):

<https://www.cdc.gov/foodsafety/diseases/>

Foodborne Germs and Illness (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention):

<https://www.cdc.gov/foodsafety/foodborne-germs.html>

Foodborne Illness and Disease (USDA Food Safety and Inspection Service):

<https://www.fsis.usda.gov/food-safety/foodborne-illness-and-disease>

Norovirus Resources (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/norovirus-resources/>

Handwashing

Handwashing (University of Nebraska-Lincoln):

<https://food.unl.edu/article/handwashing>

Handwashing and Cleaning Resources (USDA):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/handwashing-and-cleaning-resources>

Handwashing Posters (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/handwashing-posters/>

How to Properly Wash Your Hands (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/resources/182/food-safety-for-summer-meals/108261/how-to-properly-wash-your-hands-poster-2.pdf>

Keep Food Safe: Wash Hands the Best Way, CACFP iTrain Simple Lesson Plan (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/cacfp-itrain-simple-lesson-plans/training-scripts/Keep-Food-Safe-Wash-Hands-the-Best-Way.pdf>

Video: A Flash of Food Safety Handwashing: How to Wash Your Hands (USDA):

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SGeefsvF3U&list=PL8wgGeKVh_7cef0FpLyFNHpXBNHBTYzJi&index=2

Video: A Flash of Food Safety Handwashing: How to Wash Your Hands: Spanish (USDA):

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bwAUskwJgyI&list=PL8wgGeKVh_7cef0FpLyFNHpXBNHBTYzJi&index=7

Video: A Flash of Food Safety Handwashing: Why to Wash Your Hands: (USDA):

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LtiLFu04fSE&list=PL8wgGeKVh_7cef0FpLyFNHpXBNHBTYzJi&index=6

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Video: A Flash of Food Safety Handwashing: Why to Wash Your Hands: Spanish (USDA):

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7zWHkZI-7lg&list=PL8wgGeKVh_7cef0FpLyFNHpXBNHBTYzJi&index=1

When to Wash Your Hands (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/resources/348/food-safety-mini-posters/116964/when-to-wash-your-hands-2.pdf>

Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point (HACCP)

Food Safety: HACCP (Iowa State University):

<https://educate.iowa.gov/pk-12/operation-support/nutrition-programs/school-meals/haccp>

Guidance for School Food Authorities: Developing a School Food Safety Program Based on the Process Approach to HACCP Principles (USDA):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/ofc/developing-school-food-safety-program-based-process-approach-haccp>

Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point (HACCP) (FDA):

<https://www.fda.gov/food/guidance-regulation-food-and-dietary-supplements/hazard-analysis-critical-control-point-haccp>

Managing Food Safety: A Manual for the Voluntary Use of HACCP Principles for Operators of Food Service and Retail Establishments (FDA):

<https://www.fda.gov/food/hazard-analysis-critical-control-point-haccp/managing-food-safety-manual-voluntary-use-haccp-principles-operators-food-service-and-retail>

Online Training: Introduction to HACCP for School Nutrition Programs (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.docebos.com/learn/course/external/view/elearning/93/IntroductiontoHACCPforSNPs>

School Food Service HACCP Resources (University of Connecticut):

<https://foodsafety.uconn.edu/school-food-service-haccp-resources/>

Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/standard-operating-procedures/>

Writing, Updating, and Revising a HACCP-Based Food Safety Plan for Schools Workshop (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/writing-a-haccp-based-food-safety-plan-for-schools/>

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Regulations and Guidelines

Connecticut Department of Public Health Food Protection Program:

<https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Food-Protection-Program/Main-Page>

Connecticut Food Regulations (Connecticut Department of Public Health):

<https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Food-Protection-Program/Regulations>

Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Food Code:

<https://www.fda.gov/food/retail-food-protection/fda-food-code>

Food Service Inspections (Connecticut State Department of Public Health):

<https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Food-Protection-Program/Food-Service-Inspections>

Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs)

Food Safety Standard Operating Procedures (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/food-safety-standard-operating-procedures/>

Preventing Food Allergen Contamination (Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction):

https://www.dpi.wi.gov/sites/default/files/imce/school-nutrition/doc/sop_allg.doc

Food Safety– HACCP (Iowa State University):

<https://educate.iowa.gov/pk-12/operation-support/nutrition-programs/school-meals/haccp>

Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) (Iowa State University Extension and Outreach):

<https://www.extension.iastate.edu/humansciences/SOP>

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Temperatures for Cooking, Holding, and Cooling

Controlling Time and Temperature During Preparation (Institute of Child Nutrition):

https://theicn.org/wpfd_file/controlling-time-and-temperature-during-preparation/

Cooking Foods (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/resources/521/food-safety-fact-sheets/107109/cooking-foods.pdf>

Cooling Food Safely (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/cooling-food-safely/>

Holding Hot Foods (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/resources/521/food-safety-fact-sheets/107118/holding-hot-foods.pdf>

Hot and Cold Holding Temperature Log (Institute of Child Nutrition):

https://theicn.org/wpfd_file/hot-and-cold-holding-temperature-log/

Safe Minimum Internal Temperature Chart (USDA Food Safety and Inspection Service):

<https://www.fsis.usda.gov/food-safety/safe-food-handling-and-preparation/food-safety-basics/safe-temperature-chart>

Thawing Foods (Institute of Child Nutrition):

<https://theicn.org/resources/521/food-safety-fact-sheets/107153/thawing-foods.pdf>

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<https://theicn.org/resources/521/food-safety-fact-sheets/107153/thawing-foods.pdf>

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For more information, visit the CSDE's [Food Safety for Child Nutrition Programs](#) webpage or contact the [child nutrition staff](#) at the Connecticut State Department of Education, Bureau of Child Nutrition Programs, 450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite 504, Hartford, CT 06103-1841. This document is available at https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/SDE/Nutrition/Resources/Resources_Food_Safety.pdf.

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Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
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