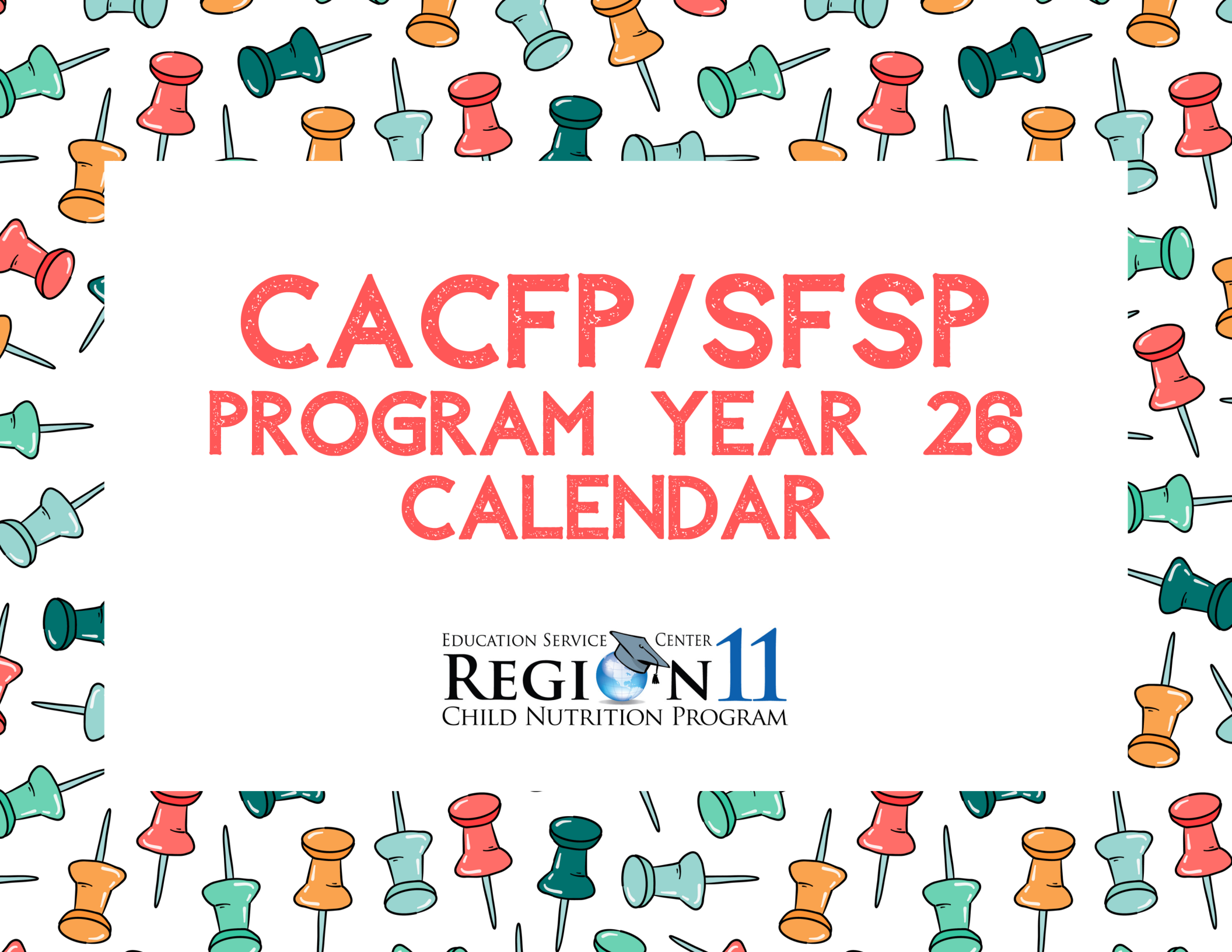
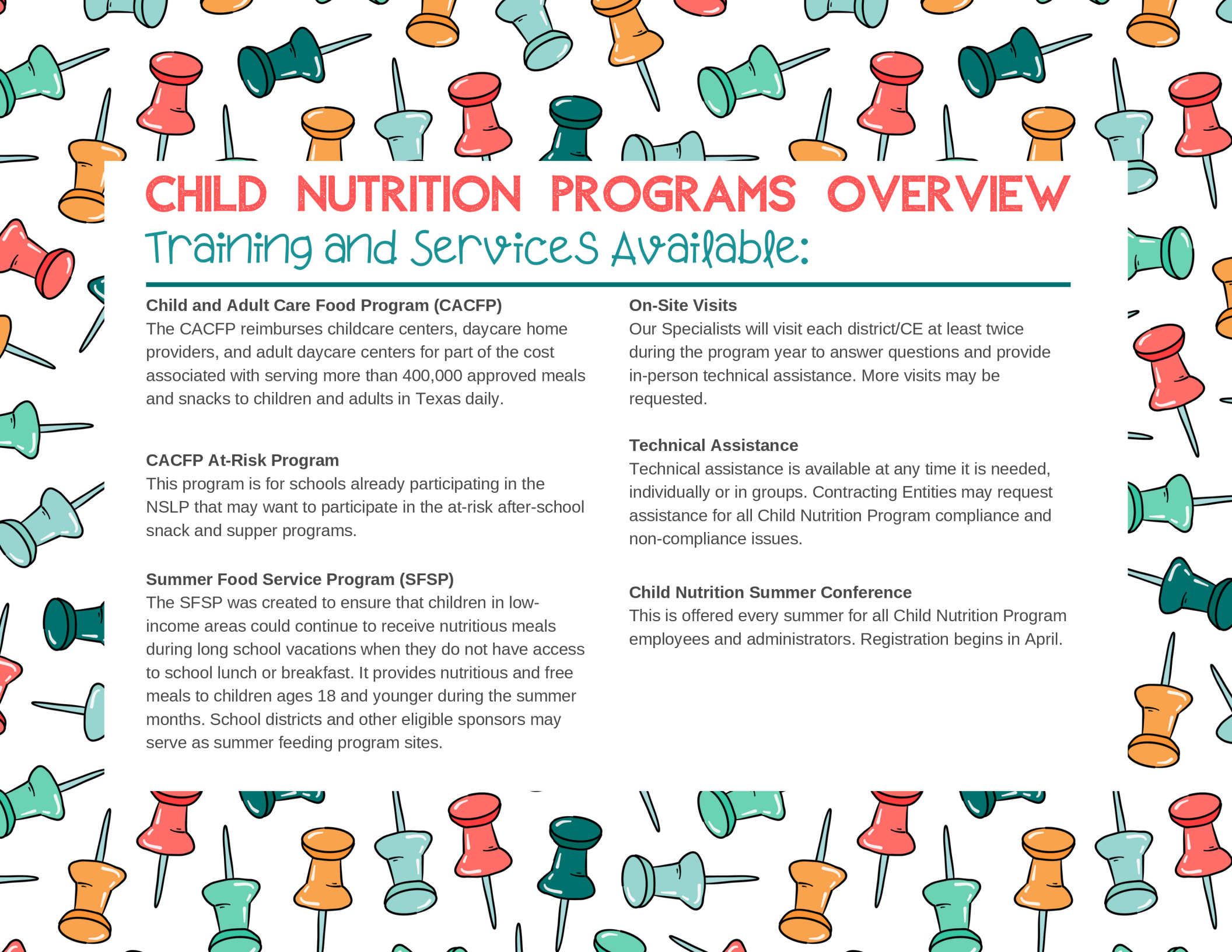




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CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS OVERVIEW

Training and Services Available:

Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)

The CACFP reimburses childcare centers, daycare home providers, and adult daycare centers for part of the cost associated with serving more than 400,000 approved meals and snacks to children and adults in Texas daily.

CACFP At-Risk Program

This program is for schools already participating in the NSLP that may want to participate in the at-risk after-school snack and supper programs.

Summer Food Service Program (SFSP)

The SFSP was created to ensure that children in low-income areas could continue to receive nutritious meals during long school vacations when they do not have access to school lunch or breakfast. It provides nutritious and free meals to children ages 18 and younger during the summer months. School districts and other eligible sponsors may serve as summer feeding program sites.

On-Site Visits

Our Specialists will visit each district/CE at least twice during the program year to answer questions and provide in-person technical assistance. More visits may be requested.

Technical Assistance

Technical assistance is available at any time it is needed, individually or in groups. Contracting Entities may request assistance for all Child Nutrition Program compliance and non-compliance issues.

Child Nutrition Summer Conference

This is offered every summer for all Child Nutrition Program employees and administrators. Registration begins in April.



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A note regarding TANS training:

**We are excited for the rollout of the Texas Automated Nutrition System,
and look forward to providing our CEs the most comprehensive training available.**

We will notify you with information on scheduled TANS training as soon as it is released.

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OCTOBER

2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 New Program Year Begins!	2	3	4
5	6	7	8 The AR Process for CACFP <u>Virtual</u> 9:00 a.m. - Noon	9	10	11
12	13	14	15 Back to Basics Check-In <u>Virtual</u> 1:00 - 1:30 p.m.	16	17	18
19	20	21	22 Meal Production Records <u>Virtual</u> 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

Due in October: Summer Cost Report for Schools

Texas Farm Fresh Harvest of the Month:
Apples

11

NOVEMBER

2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12 <u>Comprehensive Child and Adult Meal Pattern Requirements</u> <u>Virtual</u> 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.	13	14	15
16	17	18	19 <u>Back to Basics Check-In</u> <u>Virtual</u> 1:00 - 1:30 p.m.	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	 ESC Region 11 Closed					

Texas Farm Fresh Harvest of the Month:
Root Vegetables



12

DECEMBER

2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 Food Safety in Child Care <u>Virtual</u> 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14  Hanukkah Begins	15	16	17 Back to Basics Check-In <u>Virtual</u> 1:00 - 1:30 p.m.	18	19	20
21	22  Hanukkah Ends	23	24	25  Merry Christmas	26	27
28	29	30	31	 ESC Region 11 Closed		
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Texas Farm Fresh Harvest of the Month:
Greens



01

JANUARY

2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
				ESC Region 11 Closed for Winter Break		
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
				SFSP Open for Applications		
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	 ESC Region 11 Closed		<u>Back to Basics Check-In</u> <u>Virtual</u> <u>1:00 - 1:30 p.m.</u>			
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
			<u>The Administrative Review</u> <u>(AR) Process for CACFP</u> <u>Virtual</u> <u>9:00 a.m. - Noon</u>			

Texas Farm Fresh Harvest of the Month:
Citrus Fruit



02

FEBRUARY

2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 <u>CACFP Special Diets, Including Food Allergies</u> <u>Virtual</u> 9:00 a.m. - Noon	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 <u>Infant Meal Pattern Requirements</u> <u>Virtual</u> 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.	12	13	14  Valentine's Day
15	16	17	18 <u>Back to Basics Check-In</u> <u>Virtual</u> 1:00 - 1:30 p.m.	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 <u>Participant Eligibility & Enrollment</u> <u>Virtual</u> 9:00 a.m. - Noon	26	27	28

Texas Farm Fresh Harvest of the Month:
Lettuce



03

MARCH

2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 <u>CACFP/SFSP Financials & Allowable Expenses</u> <u>Virtual</u> <u>9:00 a.m. - Noon</u>	12	13	14
15	16	17	18 <u>Back to Basics Check-In</u> <u>Virtual</u> <u>1:00 - 1:30 p.m.</u>	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 <u>CACFP/SFSP Procurement: Bids, Plans, RFPs, & Quotes</u> <u>Virtual</u> <u>9:00 a.m. - Noon</u>	26	27	28
29	30	31				

Texas Farm Fresh Harvest of the Month:
Mushrooms



04

APRIL

2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 SFSP Training / Lab <u>In-Person</u> 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.	2	3	4
5	6		8 SFSP Training <u>Virtual</u> 9:00 a.m. - Noon	9	10	11
12	13	14	15 Back to Basics Check-In <u>Virtual</u> 1:00 - 1:30 p.m.	16 	17	18
19	20	21	22 CACFP Meal Counting and Claiming <u>Virtual</u> 9:00 a.m. - Noon	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

Texas Farm Fresh Harvest of the Month:
Cruciferous



05

MAY

2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 SFSP Renewal Applications Due	2
3	4	5	6 <u>The AR Process for CACFP</u> <u>Virtual</u> <u>9:00 a.m. - Noon</u>	7	8	9
10	11	12	13 <u>CACFP Sponsor Responsibilities & Monitoring</u> <u>Virtual</u> <u>9:00 - 11:00 a.m.</u>	14	15 Last Day to Drop Summer Conference Session and Receive a Refund	16
17	18	19	20 <u>Back to Basics Check-In</u> <u>Virtual</u> <u>1:00 - 1:30 p.m.</u>	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

Texas Farm Fresh Harvest of the Month:
Berries



06

JUNE

2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Open Enrollment for sponsors to add centers and at-risk site types and day care home providers begins	2 CHILD NUTRITION SUMMER CONFERENCE CACFP/SFSP Financials & Allowable Expenses CACFP/SFSP Procurement - Bids, Plans, RFPs, and Quotes	3 The Administrative Review (AR) Process for CACFP	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	 Reminder: Our CN Specialists will be traveling throughout the summer, teaching at Summer Conferences around the state. Responses could be delayed. We thank you for your patience!			

Texas Farm Fresh Harvest of the Month:
Stone Fruit



07

JULY

2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 New Program Year CACFP Renewal Applications open	2 ESC Region 11 Closes at 2:30 p.m.	3 ESC Region 11 Closed	4 Independence Day 
5	6	7 <u>CACFP TANS Office Hours</u> <u>In-Person</u> and <u>Virtual</u> Time TBD	8 <u>CACFP Program</u> <u>Application for New CEs</u> <u>Virtual</u> 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.	9	10	11
12	13	14	15 <u>Back to Basics Check-In</u> <u>Virtual</u> 1:00 - 1:30 p.m.	16 <u>CACFP TANS Office Hours</u> <u>In-Person</u> and <u>Virtual</u> Times TBD	17	18
19	20	21	22 <u>CACFP TANS Office Hours</u> <u>In-Person</u> and <u>Virtual</u> Times TBD	23	24	25
26	27	28 <u>CACFP TANS Office Hours</u> <u>In-Person</u> and <u>Virtual</u> Times TBD	29	30 Open Enrollment for Sponsors to add At-Risk site types ends	31	

Texas Farm Fresh Harvest of the Month:
Tomatoes



08

AUGUST

2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3	4	5 <u>CACFP Sponsor Responsibilities & Monitoring</u> 9:00- 11:00 a.m. and <u>CACFP Participant Eligibility & Enrollment</u> 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. <u>Virtual</u>	6 <u>CACFP TANS Office Hours</u> <u>In-Person</u> and <u>Virtual</u> Times TBD	7	8
9	10	11	12 <u>CACFP TANS Office Hours</u> <u>In-Person</u> and <u>Virtual</u> Times TBD	13 	14	15
16	17	18	19 <u>Back to Basics Check-In</u> <u>Virtual</u> 1:00 - 1:30 p.m.	20 <u>CACFP TANS Office Hours</u> <u>In-Person</u> and <u>Virtual</u> Times TBD	21	22
23	24	25 <u>CACFP TANS Office Hours</u> <u>In-Person</u> and <u>Virtual</u> Times TBD	26	27	28	29
30	31					

Texas Farm Fresh Harvest of the Month:
Peppers



09

SEPTEMBER

2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 CACFP TANS Office Hours <u>In-Person</u> and <u>Virtual</u> Times TBD	3	4	5
6	7  ESC Region 11 Closed	8	9 CACFP Sponsor Responsibilities & Monitoring <u>Virtual</u> 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.	10	11 CACFP TANS Office Hours <u>In-Person</u> and <u>Virtual</u> Times TBD	12
13	14	15 CACFP TANS Office Hours <u>In-Person</u> and <u>Virtual</u> Times TBD	16 Back to Basics Check-In <u>Virtual</u> 1:00 - 1:30 p.m.	17	18	19
20	21	22	23 CACFP TANS Office Hours <u>In-Person</u> and <u>Virtual</u> Times TBD	24	25	26
27	28	29	30 New Program Year Renewal Applications due Open enrollment for Sponsors to add Centers type sites and Day Care Home providers ends			

Texas Farm Fresh Harvest of the Month:
Melons



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