

Creditable Milks/Milk Substitutions in the Child Care Food Program

Creditable Milks

The following milks may be served as part of a reimbursable meal with no extra documentation needed:

- Breastmilk
- Pasteurized Cow or Goat Milk
- Lactose-Free or Lactose-Reduced Milk
- UHT (Ultra High Temperature) Milk
- Acidified or Cultured Milk
- Organic Milk

Non-Creditable Non-Dairy Beverages

These do not meet the USDA nutrient requirements and are not creditable without a completed Medical Statement.

- Almond Milk
- Cashew Milk
- Coconut Milk
- Hemp Milk
- Oat Milk
- Rice Milk
- Any other non-dairy beverage not listed (i.e. water, juice)

Milk Substitutions:

Creditable Non-Dairy Beverages

What is a Creditable Non-Dairy Beverage?

Meets USDA nutrient standards for fluid milk substitutes and may be requested by either parent note or Dietary Preference Form.

Non-dairy beverages are not required to be low-fat or fat-free. When served to children 1-5 years old, they must be unflavored.

Nutrients (1 cup cow's milk)	Requirement per cup (8 fluid oz.)	% DV
Protein	8g	16%
Calcium	276mg	28%
Vitamin A	150mcg	10%
Vitamin D	2.5mcg	25%
Magnesium	24mg	6%
Phosphorus	222mg	23%
Potassium	349mg	10%
Riboflavin	.44mg	26%
Vitamin B-12	1.1mcg	19%

Creditable Non-Dairy Beverages Approved for Use in the CCFP

Find these on store shelves: (shelf-stable)

For Children Ages 1-5 (Unflavored Only)



Kikkoman Pearl Organic Soymilk Smart Original



Silk Original Soymilk



Pacific Ultra Soy Original



Ripple Original Dairy Free Milk



Sunrich Naturals Original Soymilk

For Children Ages 6 and Older (Flavored)



Kikkoman Pearl Organic Soymilk Smart Vanilla



Kikkoman Pearl Organic Soymilk Smart Chocolate



Ripple Vanilla Dairy Free Milk



Ripple Chocolate Dairy Free Milk



Sunrich Naturals Soymilk Vanilla



Silk Soymilk Very Vanilla



Silk Soymilk Chocolate

Find these in the refrigerated section:



Silk Original Soymilk



Walmart Bettergoods Original Soymilk



8th Continent Soymilk Original



8th Continent Soymilk Vanilla