Food Service Inspection Requirements
Child Care Food Program

Child Care Food Program (CCFP) regulations require child care facilities to have a current health/sanitation permit or satisfactory food service inspection report issued by a local authority at least yearly. Centers must provide a copy of their current food service inspection documentation as part of the application process and also make it available during a CCFP monitoring review. Food service inspection documentation is valid for one year from date of issuance or until the expiration date on the document, whichever date is earlier.

For DCF licensed child care centers:

The Department of Children and Families (DCF) provides food service inspections to licensed child care centers in 62 counties. As part of licensing, DCF inspects for food service according to standard 65C-22.002 Physical Environment and 65C-22.005 Food and Nutrition. A current and complete licensing inspection report indicating compliance with the updated standards is required.

For religious-exempt child care centers:

The Environmental Health section of the local county health department will provide food service inspections to religious-exempt child care centers, when requested. When requesting an inspection, a completed Request for Food Service Inspection form must be submitted to the local county health department. Please contact CCFP state headquarters office at 850-245-4323 for request form and local county health department contact list.

For public/private schools:

Environmental Health from the local County Health Department (CHD) is responsible for food service inspections and issuing DOH Food Permits to public and private schools.

For locally licensed child care centers:

Local licensing is responsible for food service inspections in five counties: Broward, Hillsborough, Palm Beach, Pinellas, and Sarasota. Food service documentation will be determined by the county of issuance. See the table below for local licensing and food service inspection contact information.

County	Licensing inspection	Food service inspection
Broward	Ph: 954-357-4800	Environmental Licensing and Building Permitting Division, Child Care Food Service Section Ph: 954-765-4400, press #, ext. 9696
Hillsborough	Ph: 813-264-3925	Same
Palm Beach	Ph: 561-837-5976	Ph: 561-837-5971
Pinellas	Ph: 727-507-4857	Ph: 727-507-4336 ext. 7476
Sarasota	Ph: 941-861-6650	Ph: 941-228-2146