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Ronald McDonald House of the Ozarks Family Dinner Program Guidelines

1. Please limit the size of your group to no more than 8 -10 people. This will ensure a favorable experience for your organization as well as the Ronald McDonald House families. If there are several people from your business or church that are interested, break them up into small groups.
2. All children/teens must be accompanied by adult sponsors - at least one adult per five children.
3. Please remind your participants that they should not come if they have a fever, are not feeling well or think they may have been exposed to a communicable disease. (example: chicken pox) An exposure could be very harmful to immunosuppressed children.
4. Food can be prepared outside the Ronald House or at the Ronald House. Food may also be purchased already cooked and other items added to it to make a meal, such as fried chicken, pizza, etc. Please no spaghetti dinners - this is something that can be fixed quickly by the families and is eaten very often.
6. When scheduling a dinner, it is best to plan to begin serving sometime between 6:15 and 6:30. Some groups prefer to set the tables and serve the families while others set the food out buffet-style and allow them to walk through and serve themselves.
7. Please realize that hospital schedules and patient treatment times vary. We never know an exact number of people that will be eating and can only give you an estimate (approximately 15 to 20 people). It is helpful to call and confirm this estimate count a few days ahead.
8. Our double kitchen is well stocked with dishes, glasses, pots & pans, and utensils. We also have a gas grill on our back deck if grilling is something your group may enjoy.
9. You are also responsible for clean up. If you would like to prepare a meal, but do not have the manpower to help serve and clean up, please let us know and we may be able to coordinate efforts with one of our Assistant Managers.

- Scheduling Options -
- A. One time preparation of a dinner.
 - B. One dinner per quarter.
 - C. One dinner per month.
 - D. One dinner per week.