



Hillsborough County Student Nutrition Services **Parent Information for Requesting Special Diets** School Year 2022-2023

Student Nutrition Overview

The Student Nutrition Services Department (SNS) strives to offer healthy, well-balanced meals. Breakfast and Lunch is offered to all children, free of charge, for the 2022-2023 school year. All meals must meet the strict nutritional standards for the National School Lunch and Breakfast program set forth by USDA. To constitute a reimbursable lunch, students must select at least three out of the five components: meat/protein, bread, fruit, vegetable, and milk. At breakfast, students must select three out of the four components. At both meals, one of the components must be either a fruit or a vegetable.

General Information Regarding Special Diets

Food substitutions/menu modifications may be requested for children with special dietary condition(s) by using Student Nutrition's ***Diet Prescription for Special Meals***. School nutrition managers can use foods from Student Nutrition's standardized market list to meet most diet modifications that are requested. Student Nutrition does not purchase other specialized foods not included in the standardized market list, such as gluten-free pastas, or formulas. If a child needs to eliminate an item such as milk from the diet, then he/she may either choose to drink portable water free of charge, or choose to purchase another type of drink. Milk is required to be offered to all children, but it is not mandatory that a child takes milk for a complete meal. With most diets, we are able to prepare and serve flavorful menu items to your child that meets his or her special need, while still following federal guidelines for school meals.

Completing the Diet Prescription Form

It is imperative that the ***Diet Prescription for Special Meals*** is completed correctly and given to the Student Nutrition Manager at your site so we can safely serve your child. Food substitutions/menu modifications **cannot** be made without a completed form. A new form **must be** completed each school year so our records are kept up to date and the information on file is correct.

Partnering with Parents to Feed Your Child

We want to work in partnership with you to meet the needs of your child while attending school. Once the ***Diet Prescription for Special Meals*** form is completed and returned, the Student Nutrition Manager will contact the parent/guardian to discuss the special diet. In some cases, a meeting between the parent, Student Nutrition Manager, and District Dietitian may be needed to discuss available menu substitutions/modifications necessary to accommodate your child's needs. Once appropriate menu/food choices have been determined, the Student Nutrition Manager will place an 'alert' on your child's meal account and the appropriate menu will be followed.

To assist parents, SNS has created several tools located on the SNS Website (www.sdhc.k12.fl.us/sns)

- Nutrition information, including carbohydrate counts on all menu items
- Allergen information on the eight major allergens; wheat, soy, tree nuts, peanuts, eggs, milk, fish, and shellfish
- 'Managing a Gluten Free Diet at School', listing our gluten free items available
- Nutrislice, (free smart phone app) and MyPaymentsPlus for obtaining a history of your child's meal choices



Hillsborough County Student Nutrition Services
DIET PRESCRIPTION FOR SPECIAL MEALS FORM
 School Year 2022-2023

Student Nutrition Services is committed to serving all children nutritious meals; this includes working with children who have special dietary needs. To help us in meeting your child's dietary requirements, we require that this form be completed and returned to the Student Nutrition Manager at your child's school. Once completed, the Student Nutrition Manager will contact you to discuss menu options.

Section A- Must be completed by the Parent/Guardian

Name of Student _____ Student's ID _____ Grade _____

School Name _____ Teacher's Name _____

Does the student typically receive a meal(s) from Student Nutrition Services (SNS)? Yes No

If yes, which meals provided by SNS will your child most likely eat?
 Breakfast Lunch Afterschool Snack Dinner

Parent/Guardian Signature Name (printed) _____ Signature _____

Daytime Phone Number _____ Email Address _____ Date _____

Section B- Must be completed by the Physician

Does the student have food allergies? Yes No

If yes, please select the allergen from the list below

Wheat

All Wheat

Eggs

All Egg Proteins- albumin (white) and Yolk
 Whole Egg- hard boiled and scrambled

Dairy

All Milk Proteins- Casein, Whey, etc
 Fluid Milk
 Cheese Yogurt Ice Cream

Treenuts

All Treenuts

Peanuts

All Peanuts, including Peanut Oil

Soy

All Soy Protein
 All Soy Protein except Soybean Oil

Fish

All Fish

Shellfish

All Shellfish

Other: _____

Other: _____

Specific Foods to Omit

Specific Foods to Substitute

I certify that the above named student needs special school food as described above,

Physician's Name (printed) _____ Physician's Signature _____

Office Number _____ Date _____

Section C- Must be completed by a Physician

Is the student Diabetic and following a controlled diet? Yes No

If yes, please describe special diet in detail. Please include the range of carbohydrates (grams) per meal that is required.
Carbohydrates (g) per meal Breakfast: _____ Lunch: _____

I certify that the above named student needs special school food as described above,

Physician's Name (printed) _____ Physician's Signature _____

Office Number _____ Date _____

Section D- Must be completed by the Physician

Does the student need any special modification of dietary textures? Yes No

Indicate texture on prescribed special diet.

Soft & Bite Sized (Chopped) (please indicate any specific instructions)

Minced & Moist (Ground)(please indicate any specific instructions)

Pureed (please indicate any specific instructions) _____

Indicate thickened consistency on prescribed special diet.

Mildly Thick (Nectar) **Moderately Thick (Honey)** **Extremely Thick (Spoon)**

I certify that the above named student needs special school food as described above,

Physician's Name (printed) _____ Physician's Signature _____

Office Number _____ Date _____

Section E- Must be completed by the Physician

Does the student have other special nutritional or feeding needs? Yes No

Please describe the special diet/feeding needs (attach a list of foods to be omitted and/or substituted, if needed)

I certify that the above named student needs special school food as described above,

Physician's Name (printed) _____ Physician's Signature _____

Office Number _____ Date _____

For School Use Only

Date contacted parent _____

Date of parent meeting _____

Date Alert is Entered _____

Manager's Signature _____

(Form must be maintained on file in the SNS office for the current school year. Copy must be provided to the School Nurse and the District Dietitian)



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PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES
PARENTAL AUTHORIZATION FOR ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION

Student name: _____ Student #: _____ DOB: _____
 Last First Middle

School: _____ Grade: _____

Known allergies: _____

As the parent/guardian of the student named above, I request the principal's designee or HOST trained personnel to administer the medication(s) described below to our/my child at school.

Medication	Amount/ Strength	Dose	Med. Exp. Date	Time	Purpose of Medication	Date Begins	Date Ends

Name of physician, APRN, or PA: _____ Phone Number: _____

I understand that the provision of Florida Statute 1006.062, school personnel cannot be held liable for reactions or side effects from the administration of the medication(s). I also grant permission for school personnel to contact the physician, APRN, or PA if there are questions or concerns about the medication(s). I hereby authorize School Health Services staff to reciprocally release verbal, written, faxed or electronic student health information regarding the above named child for the purpose of giving necessary medication or treatment while at school. I understand Hillsborough County Public Schools protects and secures the privacy of student health information as required by federal and state law and in all forms of records, including, but not limited to, those that are oral, written, faxed or electronic. I hereby authorize and direct that my child's medication or treatment be administered in the manner set forth in this authorization form. I understand that I am responsible to furnish/restock all supplies and medications and that any unused medication that is not retrieved by me at the end of the school year will be destroyed. I have read the attached guidelines and agree to abide by them.

Please list the medications your child takes at home (include dosage and times).

Where does the child go after school? _____

Parent/guardian of students attending HOST (or any before/after-school care program), will need to make arrangements with the before/after school programs when medicines or treatments are needed.

PLEASE NOTE EARLY RELEASE DAYS MAY IMPACT ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION.

Early release time: _____ Will medication be given? Yes No (Circle)

 Parent/Guardian Signature

 Primary Daytime Phone

 Date



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SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES
EPINEPHRINE AUTO-INJECTORS PHYSICIAN ORDERS

Student: _____ Student #: _____
 Parent/Guardian: _____ Phone: _____
 Physician: _____ Phone: _____ Fax: _____
 School: _____ Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Dear Physician,

This form is being presented to you to request your orders for medical procedures. The student shown above will be attending school in the near future, and we are requiring your orders to do the procedures listed below at the school. Please complete items 1 to 9, read the statement below, and fax or return orders to the school nurse or clinic.

1. What is the child allergic to? _____
2. What are the signs and symptoms of the student's allergic reaction? _____

3. The *Epinephrine Auto-injector* will be kept at the school (√ one) in the clinic. ___ with the student. ___

4. Is the student aware of this allergy and its possible seriousness? Yes ___ No ___

5. Has the student been instructed in the use of the *Epinephrine Auto-injector*? Yes ___ No ___

6. Is *Epinephrine Auto-injector* to be used immediately? Yes ___ No ___

If no, at what time after bite, sting, etc. should it be given? _____

What are the specific signs that signal the need for epinephrine? _____

7. Must the student carry the *Epinephrine Auto-injector* on their person? Yes ___ No ___

8. Will student self-administer? Yes ___ No ___

9. Please list any other specific directions to be followed. _____

In the event of a severe allergic reaction, the *Epinephrine Auto-injector* is to be administered by School Health Services Nursing Staff and other trained school personnel.

Physician's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Physician's Printed Name: _____ Phone: _____

**Hillsborough County Public Schools
Tampa, Florida**

Authorization for Administration of Medication and Management of Diabetes In the School Setting

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. When the information on this form is completed and signed by the Physician and Parent, it will serve as the Physician Orders in the school setting.
2. If the Physician's Office has a comparable form it will be acceptable and can serve as the Physicians Orders.
3. The School Nurse will review the information.
4. Attach Student's Emergency Card to this form.

Date: _____

Student's Name _____

Birth Date: _____

My permission is hereby granted to **School Health Services Personnel / and or to Principal's Designee** to administer and / or allow Student to self-administer the following medications and treatments.

I. BLOOD GLUCOSE MONITORING: To be performed at school: Yes _____ No _____

To be performed by the Student or the Principal's Designee: Yes _____ No _____

Type of Meter: _____ Target Range for BG: _____ mg/dl to _____ mg/dl

Time to be performed: _____ Before breakfast _____ Before PE / Activity Time

_____ Mid-morning: before snack _____ After PE / Activity Time

_____ Before lunch _____ Mid-afternoon

_____ Dismissal _____ PRN- for signs / symptoms of high or low blood sugars

II. INSULIN ADMINISTRATION: To be performed by Student or Health Services Personnel: Yes _____ No _____

(If YES, complete the following section)

TYPE OF INSULIN	DOSE	TIME TO BE ADMINISTERED
_____ Humalog	_____	_____
_____ Regular	_____	_____
_____ NPH	_____	_____
_____ Lente	_____	_____
_____ Ultralente	_____	_____
_____ Other _____	_____	_____

_____ Insulin Delivery Method

_____ # unit(s) per _____ grams

Calculate Insulin dose for Carbohydrate Intake Yes _____ No _____

SLIDING SCALE:

Blood Sugar: _____	Amount of Insulin: _____
Blood Sugar: _____	Amount of Insulin: _____
Blood Sugar: _____	Amount of Insulin: _____
Blood Sugar: _____	Amount of Insulin: _____

ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS:

III. MEALS/SNACKS INSTRUCTIONS: Can student determine correct portions & number of carbohydrate servings? Yes _____ No _____

(Parents to provide snacks if necessary and will restock supplies as needed)

Meal Event	Time/ Location	Food Content & CHO Amount	Meal Event	Time/ Location	Food Content & CHO Amount
_____ Breakfast	_____	_____	_____ Before PE/Activity	_____	_____
_____ Mid-morning	_____	_____	_____ After PE/Activity	_____	_____
_____ Lunch	_____	_____	_____ PRN for Low BG	_____	_____
_____ Mid-afternoon	_____	_____	_____ Special Snacks	_____	_____
			_____ Instructions:	_____	_____

IV. MANAGEMENT OF HIGH BLOOD SUGAR (>200 mg/dl)

(Follow sliding scale as indicated above; if nausea / vomiting – call parent; student to be sent home)

USUAL SIGNS / SYMPTOMS FOR THIS CHILD:

- Increased thirst, urination, appetite
- Tired / drowsy / less energy
- Blurred vision
- Warm, dry, or flushed skin
- Other _____

INDICATE TREATMENT CHOICES:

- Sugar free fluids
- Avoid concentrated sweets
- Frequent bathroom privileges
- May not need snack
- Other _____

V. MANAGEMENT OF VERY HIGH BLOOD SUGAR (>500 mg/dl)

USUAL SIGNS / SYMPTOMS FOR THIS CHILD:

- Nausea / vomiting
- Abdominal pain
- Rapid, shallow breathing
- Weakness / muscle aches
- Dry mucous membranes
- Extreme thirst
- Fruity breath odor
- Other _____

INDICATE TREATMENT CHOICES:

- Check urine for **Ketones**
- Notify parents if signs/symptoms present
- From previous column
- If unable to reach parents, call 911
- Sugar-free fluids if tolerated
- Frequent bathroom privileges
- Stay with student and document changes in status
- Other _____

VI. MANAGEMENT OF LOW BLOOD SUGAR (range of low BS for this student)

Less than < mg/dl (may vary for individual student)

EMS will be called for Extreme Low BS

USUAL SIGNS / SYMPTOMS FOR THIS CHILD:

- Change in personality
- Weak/ shaky/ tremors
- Tired/ drowsy/ fatigue
- Dizzy/ staggering walk
- Headache
- Inattentive/ confused
- Nausea/ loss of appetite
- Clammy/ sweating
- Blurred vision
- Irritability/ crying/ aggressive
- Loss of consciousness
- Slurred speech
- Seizures

INDICATE TREATMENT CHOICES:

- Call EMS if unconscious or seizure
- 4-6 oz. Fruit juice or sweetened drink
- 4-6 Sugar cubes or hand candies
- 3 Glucose tablets
- Concentrated gel or tube frosting
- Honey, syrup, table sugar
- Retest BG 15-20 minutes post snack
- Repeat treatment until good response
- Follow treatment with snack of Protein/ carbohydrates
- *Glucagon Injection
- Other _____

VII. LIST ANY OTHER MEDICATIONS TO BE GIVEN AT SCHOOL:

Medication	Dose	Time	Route	Possible side effects

I understand that treatments and procedures are being performed by the Student, School Health Staff or Principal Designee within the school or by EMS in the event of loss of consciousness or seizure. I also understand that the school is not responsible for damage, loss of equipment, or expenses utilized in these treatments and procedures. I have reviewed and agree with the indicated instructions.

Physician's Signature / Date	Parent's Signature / Date	Name of School
Phone Number	Phone Number	School Nurse Contact
Phone Number	Phone Number	Phone Number