

# EATING AND FEEDING EVALUATION: CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

When the school food service has difficulty covering the additional cost of special meals, there are several alternative sources of funding. These sources include: School system's general fund, *Individuals with Disabilities Education Act*, Medicaid, Supplemental Security Income, Maternal and Child Health, Parent Teacher Associations, and local civic organizations.

Name of School	Grade Level	Classroom
Does the child have a disability? If Yes, describe the major life activities affected by the <b>disability</b> .	Yes	No
Does the child have special nutritional or feeding needs? If Yes, complete the remainder of the form and have it <b><u>signed by a licensed physician</u></b> .	Yes	No
If the child is <b>not disabled</b> , does the child have special nutritional or feeding needs? If Yes, complete the remainder of the form and have it <b><u>signed by a recognized medical authority</u></b> .	Yes	No
If the child does not require special meals, the parent can sign at the bottom and return the form to the school food service.		
List any dietary restrictions or special diet.		
<b>Student's Name</b>	Age	
List any allergies or food intolerances to avoid.		
List foods to be substituted.		
<p>List foods that need the following change in texture. If all foods need to be prepared in this manner, indicate "All."            Cut up or chopped into bite size pieces:</p> <p>Finely ground:</p> <p>Pureed:</p>		
List any special equipment or utensils that are needed.		
Indicate any other comments about the child's eating or feeding patterns.		
Parent's Signature	Date:	
Physician or Medical Authority's Signature	Date:	