FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICES

Fairfax County Public Schools



Attention: Starting School Year 2024-2025, the Office of Food and Nutrition Services (FNS) is implementing a standardized process for dietary accommodations to ensure the provision of safe and healthy food for our students. This form only needs to be filled out once while your student is enrolled at FCPS.

Please keep in mind the following information while reviewing the steps below:

- FCPS does not provide meals containing pork.
- We offer vegetarian and vegan options for lunch at every school, every day. If your student needs pork-free or vegetarian meals (which do not contain meat, poultry, or fish but may contain dairy and/or eggs), you do not need to fill out a Dietary Accommodation form, as we have those options available at all schools.

Please note that while FCPS is not a peanut-free kitchen, our peanut butter products are individually wrapped to prevent cross-contamination.

To request a dietary accommodation, please follow these steps:

STEP 1

Complete the appropriate Dietary Accommodation form for each child in your household who needs dietary accommodation(s).

Type of Form	Request of Accommodation	Type of Signature Required
Medical Dietary Accommodation Form	This form is for medical accommodations such as food allergies, texture modifications, or other dietary needs.	Requires a signature from a state licensed health care provider.
Medical Discontinuation Form	This form is to be filled out only if your student currently receives accommodations and no longer needs specialized menus.	Requires a parent and/or guardian signature
Milk Substitution Form	This form is for students who can not drink cow's milk and need a milk substitute. The milk substitutes offered at this time are oat milk and lactose-free milk.	Requires a parent and/or guardian signature

Submit the completed dietary form to dietary.forms.fns@fcps.edu. This email will be monitored Monday-Friday, during business hours, excluding holidays.

STEP 3 Food and Nutrition Services will contact you via email to confirm receipt of the form.

Registered our Dietitians will contact you by phone or email with any follow-up questions or to discuss the modified menu if necessary.

If your student has a severe or life-threatening food allergy or medical accommodation, we also encourage you to work with your school to develop a <u>Section 504 plan</u>. Please contact your school directly regarding 504 information.

Before completing a dietary accommodation request form, please note:

- Dietary accommodations are tracked centrally via student ID number. If your student transfers to another FCPS school during the school year or before the start of a new school year, the form does not need to be resubmitted to us.
- Forms must be complete before accommodations can be met, including parent/legal guardian signatures and state-licensed health care provider signatures (when applicable).
- The information in the form may be shared with pertinent FCPS Public Schools and Food and Nutrition employees to properly accommodate your student unless you specify otherwise in writing.