

Procedure for Students with Food Allergies/Special Diets

Why is this important?

- Food allergies can be considered a disability if they interfere with a major life activity such as breathing (anaphylaxis), or if they severely impact the student's ability to function in school. A licensed physician assesses the severity of the food allergy and determines the need level of sensitivity to the food. The FNS Department of OCPS, follows the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) nondiscrimination regulation (7 CFR 15b), as well as the regulations governing the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program, which make it clear that substitutions to the regular meal must be made for children who are unable to eat school meals because of their disabilities, when that need is certified by a licensed physician.

Things needed before this can be completed:

Before a special diet can be provided for an OCPS registered student, the parents need to have their children's physician complete an FNS Diet Order Form and return it to the school cafeteria manager or to the Food and Nutrition Services District Office located on 6501 Magic Way, Bldg. 500, Orlando, FL 32809. Completed forms can be faxed to (407)317-3951 or emailed to FSMenu@OCPS.net.

What do I need to do?

- For new student: **During the Registration Process in school, parents need to inform the registrar or the school cafeteria manager that the student has a known food allergy. The cafeteria manager provides the parent with the FNS Diet Order Form for their Physician to complete. The Form has written instructions in English and in Spanish.** The FNS Diet order form is also available on this link: <https://www.ocps.net/op/food/Pages/Nutrition.aspx>
- For an OCPS student: **As soon as a food allergy is identified, the parents need to inform the school cafeteria manager that the student has a known food allergy and obtain a Diet Order Form from them to be completed by the Student's Physician.** The FNS Diet order form is also available on this link: <https://www.ocps.net/op/food/Pages/Nutrition.aspx>

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Our Goal: Intense Focus on Student Achievement
Food and Nutrition Services supports this goal by providing nutritious meals and snacks because hungry children cannot learn. We provide food at an economical cost for educational events to increase participation.

School Food Menus for 2014-2015

Click on the image below for the most updated menus.
Menus are subject to change without notice.

Find your School's Menu
www.OCPSmenus.com

After School Snack Menu Supper Program Menu

www.SchoolPay.com


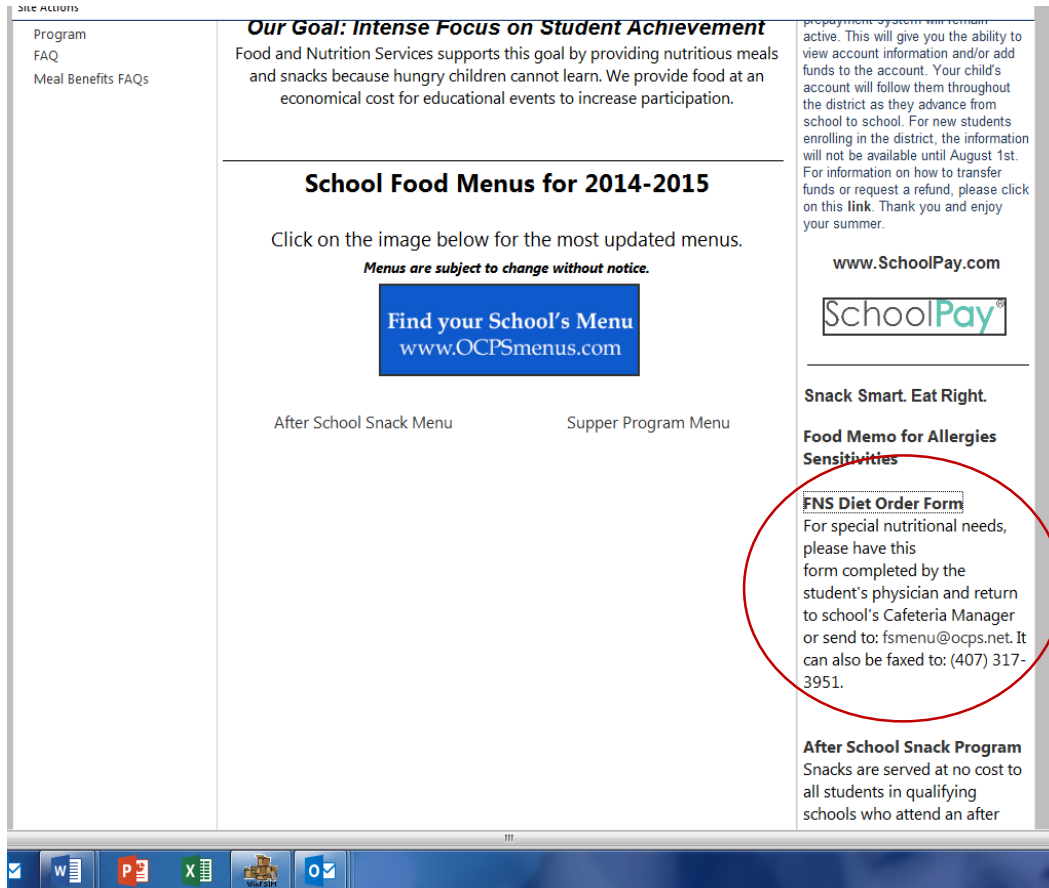
Snack Smart. Eat Right.

Food Memo for Allergies Sensitivities

FNS Diet Order Form
For special nutritional needs, please have this form completed by the student's physician and return to school's Cafeteria Manager or send to: fsmenu@ocps.net. It can also be faxed to: (407) 317-3951.

After School Snack Program
Snacks are served at no cost to all students in qualifying schools who attend an after

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All completed FNS Diet Order Forms should be returned to the Cafeteria Manager, or be faxed to (407)317-3951. They can also be emailed to FSMenu@OCPS.net. in order to be sent to the FNS Registered Dietitian on Magic Way as specified in the FNS Diet Order Form.

What happens next?

- In 2-3 working days, the Registered Dietitian will evaluate the Diet Order and if necessary communicate with the parent in order to develop the diet instructions for the school cafeteria manager. If further information is needed, the OCPS Registered Dietitian (RDN) will communicate by phone with the parents. It is very important that parents provide contact information as requested on the FNS Diet Order Form. The RDN will provide the manager with diet instructions to be followed in the cafeteria. Finally, the school cafeteria manager will identify the child in the POS system so that an alert is displayed when the student's ID is entered into the system.