

## **Tallassee City Schools**

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## Dr. Brock Nolin, Superintendent

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Dear Parents:

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) requires schools to make food substitutions for students who are disabled or have conditions that affect major life activities. Annual written documentation from the *child's physician* or *recognized medical authority* is required. Although we strive to meet all reasonable accommodations, please understand we cannot accept verbal declarations regarding special diets.

Attached please find the *Diet Prescription for Meals at School* form to be completed by a **<u>physician</u>**. This prescription ensures that alternate diet or food items are identified and provides us with the most updated information about the student's needs as medical conditions are subject to change. Be advised a copy of the form can be downloaded from our website tcschools.com.

Should you have questions, please don't hesitate to call.

Carol Wright, Coordinator Child Nutrition Programs

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In accordance with federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex (including gender identity\* and sexual orientation\*), disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity. Program information may be made available in languages other than English. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication to obtain program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language), should contact the responsible state or local agency that administers the program or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. To file a program discrimination complaint, a Complainant should complete a Form AD-3027, USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form which can be obtained online at: https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/USDA-OASCR%20P-Complaint-Form-0508-0002-508-11-28-

at: https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/USDA-OASCR%20P-Complaint-Form-0508-0002-508-11-28-17Fax2Mail.pdf, from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by: mail:

1.

U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights

The mission of Tallassee City Schools is to inspire students through quality education to become responsible citizens and leaders of tomorrow.

1400 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or

- 2.
  - (833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or
- 3.

## email: program.intake@usda.gov

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This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

\*The enclosed "non discrimination" language herein was added pursuant to the May 5, 2022, USDA memorandum. However, although included as currently required for audit compliance by the USDA, the State of Alabama objects to its inclusion, applicability and the application of this language due to currently pending legal challenges in the matter of *The State of Tennessee*, *et al. v. USDA*, et al., Case No. 3:22-cv-00257, and may be subject to change or removal.