

Alachua County Food and Nutrition Services

Special Diet and Food Allergy Procedure

1. The School Nurse will provide a list of students with identified food allergies to the Food Service Manager (FSM) using the Student List with Special Diets and Allergies (SLSDA) form at the beginning of each school year. The nurse will provide an update list as needed.
2. The FSM will send the Special Meals and/or Accommodation (SMA) form and the parent letter home with the student via the teacher in addition to calling the parent. Forms can be found on the acpsfood.com website.
3. The FSM will document the date the SMA form was sent home and parent phone call on the Student List with Special Diets and Allergies (SLSDA) form.
4. Upon receipt of the signed SMA form, the FSM will document the date the form is received on the SLSDA form and be kept on file. The FSM contacts the Registered Dietitian (RD) in Food and Nutrition Services (FNS) if the FSM receives the completed SMA form showing a child has a prescribed diet change order by a licensed healthcare professional.
5. The RD will note the special diet order or allergy in the Alert field of the Mosaic system.
6. The RD will communicate with the FSM and direct specific diet guidance.
7. The RD will determine if a meeting is necessary with the parent, school nurse, teacher, and FSM.
8. The RD will create an allergy alert Photo List of the students with special dietary needs and provide it to the FSM.
9. Food Service staff must be trained to identify students from the Allergy Alert Photo List provided by the RD.
10. The Allergy Alert Photo List must be dated each time it is revised. The list must be kept at each POS on a clipboard on the opposite side of the tray slide in full view of the cashier. Do not post for public view, in order to be in compliance of HIPPA laws.
11. If the school uses tally sheet for meal service, the ID cards will only be used by the students who have Special Diets and Allergies for all meals.
12. For any meal served by non-FNS staff, an Allergy Alert Photo List will be provided and kept up-to-date when changes are made.
13. The Special Diets and Allergies folder will be checked by the supervisor during on site program reviews for accuracy.