## **Village Techs Medical Statement Form**

I. P	rovide the following information about the st	tudent.	
	Student Name:	Date	<b>e:</b>
Stu	ident Birthdate: Stu	ident's Grade Level:	
Does the student have a medical <u>disability</u> which necessitates a meal accommodation?		hich affects one of the major life functions	□ Yes □ No
D	oes the student have a special dietary <u>need</u> t	that will be helped by a meal accommodation	? □ Yes □ No
II. How does this medical disability or special dietary need impact the student's diet?			
III. What meal accommodation(s) are appropriate to address the student's medical disability or special dietary needs? Please check the box before applicable meal accommodations and provide a detailed explanation for each checked accommodation in the box beside the description.			
	Food items or ingredients not to be served		
	Suggested substitutions for food items not served		
	Specific information on portion sizes for food items		
	Specific description of texture modifications for specific food types or items		
	Special utensils		
	Other		
IV. Provide the following signatures.			
Parent Signature		Dat	e
Medical Authority Signature			

## Information on Accommodations to School Meals for Students with a Medical Disability

The National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program (SBP) <u>must</u> provide reasonable accommodations for students with medical disabilities.

The Code of Federal Regulations (7 CFR, Part 15b) defines a person with a disability as (1) having a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities and (2) having a record or is regarded as having a physical or mental impairment.

Schools <u>may</u> also provide accommodations for special medical or dietary needs that restrict a student's diet but are not considered a medical disability.

For an NSLP or SBP site to provide meal accommodation for a student with a medical disability, the parent or guardian must provide a medical statement signed by a medical authority who is licensed by the State to write prescriptions. For this purpose, State is defined as the State of Texas. Any medical authority whose prescription is allowed to be filled by a pharmacy located in Texas under Texas law and regulation may provide a medical statement for a meal accommodation.

The medical statement must include the following information for the CE to make the meal accommodation:

- 1. Statement explaining the student's medical disability which includes a description that is sufficient to allow the school to understand how this condition restricts the student's diet.
- 2. Description of the accommodation to be made: food items or ingredients to be omitted, food items ingredients to be substituted, modified food texture, and/or other accommodation

If the medical statement requires substitutions, the medical statement should include a list of food or beverage items that are appropriate substitutions. Also note, a school is not required to provide a name brand product if another product with the same specifications is available.

If the licensed medical authority does not provide a medical statement that includes the information listed above, the school cannot make meal accommodation.

When a school believes the medical statement is unclear or lacks sufficient detail, the school <u>must</u> request appropriate clarification so that a proper and safe meal can be provided. When clarification is provided, any changes to the medical statement must be provided in writing before the school implements the changes.