

**FREEDOM CLASSICAL ACADEMY
POLICY NO. 2401
SPECIAL DIET POLICY**

I. Purpose

To establish the policy that addresses Freedom Classical Academy's (FCA) standard operating procedures in include Meal Access and Reimbursement; Meal Pattern and Nutritional Quality and Food Safety and Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point Standard Operating Procedures for applicable NSLP.

II. Policy

FCA participates in the NSLP. FCA receives cash subsidies and USDA foods from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) for Lunch. In addition FCA makes exception for special diets. In return FCA must serve meals that meet the Federal requirements, and they must offer free meals to eligible children according to Federal requirements to all children through age 18 in FCA.

III. Procedures

1. Special Diet Policy:

- FCA makes exceptions for special diets for disability reasons on a case by case basis when supported by a written statement of the need for substitutions. The written statement must include recommendations for alternate foods, unless otherwise exempted by FNS, and signed by a recognized medical authority.
- FCA makes exceptions for special diets for non-disability reasons on a case by case basis when supported by a written statement of the need for substitutions, unless other exempted by FNS, and signed by a recognized medical authority.
- FCA may make substitutions for fluid milk for non-disabled students who cannot consume fluid milk due to medical or special dietary needs when supported by a written statement from a medical authority or legal guardian. The written statements must identify the medical or other special dietary need that restricts the child's diet. These substitutions meet the nutritional standards established in the above statement.