



Request for Milk Substitution-Child Care

(Non-Medical Need/Parent Preference)

Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)

If your child cannot drink standard cow's milk due to a parent preference or special dietary need but **does not** have a diagnosed medical disability, you or the child care center may choose to provide a milk substitute or alternate fluid milk option. **If any option 1-3 listed below is provided, this form must be completed.** Please note, *flavored non-dairy beverages or flavored alternate fluid milk options cannot be served to children 1 through 5 years of age.*

1. OSPI Approved Milk Substitute

Review the list of [OSPI Approved Milk Substitutes](#) for possible options.

2. Non-Dairy Fluid Milk Substitute

USDA allows any milk substitute nutritionally equivalent to fluid cow's milk to be served. This means (per 1 cup/8oz) the milk substitute must meet or exceed each nutrient value listed here.

The product must contain the following nutrients per 1 cup:	
Nutrient	Per cup
Calcium	276 mg
Protein	8 grams
Vitamin A	500 IU or 150 mcg
Vitamin D	100 IU or 2.5 mcg
Magnesium	24 mg
Phosphorus	222 mg
Potassium	349 mg
Riboflavin	0.44 mg
Vitamin B-12	1.1mcg

3. Alternate Fluid Milk Option

Other milks that are creditable and may be served in place of standard cow's milk are acidified milk, acidophilus milk, buttermilk (commercially prepared), goats milk, Kefir milk, lactose-free or reduced milk (such as Lactaid), and organic milk. *Please note: whole milk must be served to children 12 to 24 months and nonfat or 1% milk must be served to children 2 years of age or older for all these options.*

Child's Name: _____

Identify why your child needs a milk substitute: _____

Name of Non-Dairy Milk Substitute or Alternate Fluid Milk Option: _____

Provided by: (only select one)

☐ I request the **child care center provide** this option. I am aware the center may decline requests not based on a diagnosed medical need.

☐ **I will provide** this beverage.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____