



**TO BE COMPLETED BY ELC STAFF:**

Application Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## School Readiness Special Needs Rate Request Form

Date Completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Provider Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Diagnosis: \_\_\_\_\_

Part-Time:  Full-Time:

**A COPY OF THE CHILD'S CURRENT IEP OR IFSP MUST BE INCLUDED**

**Documentation of the child's diagnosis and accommodations that exceed the ADA requirements must be provided to the Early Learning Coalition to justify this rate. Quality checks performed by ELC staff will occur periodically to verify service delivery. Diagnosis must be validated by a licensed health, mental health, education or social service professional other than the child's parent or person employed by the provider. This application must be re-submitted annually at the child's redetermination date for School Readiness services.** Examples include but are not limited to Autism Spectrum Disorder, Deaf or Hard of Hearing, Developmental Delay, Dual Sensory Impairment, Emotional or Behavioral Disability, Intellectual Disability, Language Impairment, Orthopedic Impairment, Physical Therapy, Specific Learning Disability, Traumatic Brain Injury, Visual Impairment, etc.

Rule 6M-4.500. Child Attendance and Provider Reimbursements •(7) Reimbursement for Children with Special Needs: 2116(a) A child care provider may be reimbursed by the coalition at a higher rate if caring for any school readiness child with special needs requiring additional care **beyond** services required by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). To receive a special needs rate, a child care provider must submit a list of the special needs services it is providing for each special needs child, in addition to the routine school readiness services. A special needs rate may be negotiated up to twenty (20) percent above the maximum approved base reimbursement rate established for infant care by the coalition. However, any amount that exceeds the providers private pay rate for infant care shall be classified as a quality expenditure. ADA Requirements can be found here: <https://www.ada.gov/childqanda.htm>

**Please LIST the Accommodations Being Provided (must exceed what ADA requires by law):**

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2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
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