

BASIC INFORMATION – Special Needs Ministry, Youth	Today's Date:
Name:	Age:
To help us better understand the unique abilities and needs of you your child's disability:	
What special equipment does your child use, if any? (include: hear	
COMMUNICATION SKILLS	
What are the primary ways that your child communicates with oth	ers? Check all that apply:
☐ Predominantly verbal ☐ Predominately non-verbal	☐ Predominately uses ASL
☐ Requires prompts/cues to initiate ☐ Expresses needs/v	wants by using eye gaze/contact
Gestures, give example(s):	
☐ Uses own signs, give example(s):	
☐ Assistive technology (PECS, iPad Apps, Big Mac, etc.), pleas	se describe:
Other behaviors to communicate a want or need (touch, g	
describe:	
ALLERGIES	
Does your child have any allergies? Check all that apply:	
☐ Food ☐ Environmental ☐ Medication	
List each allergen here:	

Please explain the severity and steps to be taken if your child should come in contact with any of the above allergens:
DIETARY AND FEEDING SKILLS
☐ Please do NOT feed my child anything other than something he or she has brought from home.
List diet restrictions:
Snacks my child enjoys:
What method of eating does your child use? Check all that apply:
☐ Independent ☐ Independent with set-up, explain:
☐ Eats by G-tube ☐ Uses fingers ☐ Uses spoon ☐ Uses fork
☐ Uses special utensils/cup ☐ Requires supervision while eating, explain:
List any special equipment or positioning for feeding:
Please share any special oral motor issues that we should know about, including gagging: TOILETING/HYGIENE SKILLS
Please check all that apply:
☐ Uses toilet independently ☐ Needs assistance, please describe:
Wears diapers/pull-ups, please give any special instructions:
Please share any signs or gestures that your child may give to indicate his or her need to be changed or go to the restroom:

BEHAVIOR SKILLS

What makes your child comfortable?
What makes your child uncomfortable?
What activities/interests give your child a sense of excitement and joy?
What are some areas your child is working on independence?
Behavior Concerns - Please share about any behaviors of which we should be aware. Specify what the behavior looks like:
When do these behaviors typically occur?
Are they more likely to occur with a specific gender? \square Y \square N , which gender? \square M \square F
Check all that apply:
☐ Elopement ☐ Difficulty with transitions ☐ Refusal/Non-compliance
☐ Sensory sensitivity, describe:
☐ Self-injurious, please describe:
☐ Aggression, what form does this take? (hitting, biting, slapping, pulling hair, etc.)
Behavior Modification Plan: Please explain the behavior management plan that is being used at home and/or in school to assist your child with behavioral concerns. Our goal is to maintain consistency as best we are able in order to best assist you and your child.
If your child is in school and has an IEP, you are welcome to attach a copy.

Please feel free to add in additional information that would be helpful for Special Needs Ministry staff,
leaders, and volunteers:
In order to best serve this child's unique needs, please know that this information will be shared with
those working with your child, which may include: Special Needs Ministry Director, Special Needs
Ministry Intern(s), Special Needs Ministry Volunteers, and other pertinent staff, as necessary to ensure a
safe and successful time in our various ministry settings.