



**SPECIALNEEDS GROUP
NATIONAL ACCREDITATION AWARD**

Group No. _____ Participating Organization _____

City _____ State _____ Date of Program Renewal _____

District/Learning for Life Division _____ Council No. _____

Mark yes (Y) or no (N) in the box for each item. Groups must achieve seven of the nine to qualify for accreditation. The five starred [*] items are required, plus two additional items = seven in total.

- | | Past Year | Coming Year | |
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| *1. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Memorandum of Understanding. The annual Memorandum of Understanding will be completed, including approval of the participating adults by the principal, appropriate school administrator or head of the organization. |
| *2. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Training (including Youth Protection and Safety First). The key contacts (including the lead teacher) at the school/organization will attend the training session for the Champions program conducted by the Learning for Life representative and receive a copy of the Safety First Guidelines. |
| *3. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Lesson Plans. Completion of agreed-upon lesson plans will be used by our school/organization. |
| *4. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Recognition. Our program will use the Learning for Life Champions recognition items. |
| *5. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Evaluation. An annual Learning for Life evaluation will be conducted at the end of the yearly cycle by the Learning for Life representative and principal or appropriate school administrator or head of the organization. |
| 6. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Value-Added Component. Our program will conduct at least two of the following value-added service provided through Learning for Life:
a. Worksite/Community Visit(s): Our program will complete at least one visit to a worksite in the community coordinated with our Learning for Life representative.
b. Outdoor activity. Our program will have at least one outdoor component coordinated with our Learning for Life representative.
c. Assessments. Our school will conduct the Needs Assessment and School Partner Profile as well as participate in the Learning for Life Program Assessment. |
| 7. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Service Project. An annual service project will be performed by our students this year. |
| 8. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Funding. Funds for the program will be provided by our school/participating organization. |
| 9. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Classroom Character Education Quality Award. More than 50% of our classrooms will earn the classroom Character Education Quality Award. |

Date

Lead Teacher

Learning for Life Representative