

Clothing Inventory & Minimum Clothing Standards

Effective Date: 8/1/2015

Clothing Inventory Upon Placement:

KCT requires foster caregivers to complete a clothing inventory checklist upon placement of each child in their home which is to be completed and submitted to our agency **within 5 business days of placement.**

Children of Kids Count Too may come to a foster home with many or few personal belongings. In many cases, the custodial agency will provide children with an initial clothing voucher typically between the amounts of \$100 - \$250. However, if the child is coming from another foster home, the custodial agency will more than likely not provide this voucher as the child should arrive with an appropriate amount of clothing. In the event a child comes to a KCT foster home with little to no belongings, our agency will make every effort to obtain a clothing voucher from the placing agency. In addition, Kids Count Too has a small supply of donated clothes and items at our office for children in this situation.

Clothing Inventory During Placement and Upon Discharge:

KCT also requires foster caregivers to complete a clothing inventory checklist prior to or upon a child being discharged from their home. This form shall be submitted to Kids Count Too **no later than the day of discharge.**

It is the KCT foster caregivers responsibility to maintain the child's ongoing clothing needs during placement as the child's needs change. Each child that has been in a KCT foster home for at least 30 calendar days shall have and maintain the foster youth's clothing in accordance to our minimum clothing standards policy. These clothes shall be suitable to the current season, age appropriate, in good condition, and fit properly.

The minimum clothing standards of Kids Count Too, Inc. are listed on the two attached forms according to age range of the foster youth. Ages Birth to 5 years old and ages 6 to 18 years old.

If a foster youth has resided in a KCT foster home for longer than 30 days and leaves the home with less items than the KCT required minimum standards, KCT may deduct from the foster parents final paycheck, the amount necessary to purchase clothing to meet the minimum clothing standards for that foster youth.

Please note that clothing inventory shall be taken upon initial placement, a change of placement and discharge of a foster youth. Failure to do so may result in a foster parent rule violation of OAC

Kids Count Too, Inc.
Clothing Inventory Placement or Discharge Form &

Minimum Clothing Standards

Ages 6-18

Foster Youth: _____

Date of Discharge: _____ **OR** Date of Placement: _____

Foster Home: _____ Child's Age: _____

Instructions: This form is to be completed by the caseworker and/or Foster Parent(s) of the child upon placement of the child, or the child leaving the home, and submitted to Kids Count Too, Inc. no later than 5 business days after placement or after date of discharge.

Essential Items	Minimum Required	Number FY Has	Number FY Needs
Underwear	7 pairs		
Bras	3		
Socks	7 Pairs		
Pajamas/Sleepers	2 Pairs		
Shirts	7		
Sweaters/Sweatshirts	2		
Shorts	4		
Pants/J Jeans	7		
Dress	1		
Tennis Shoes	1 Pair		
Dress Shoes	1 Pair		
Light Jacket	1		
SEASONAL ITEMS (Oct. 15 – April 15)	Minimum Required	Number FY Has	Number FY Needs
Winter Coat	1		
Hat	1		
Gloves/Mittens	1 Pair		
Boots	1 Pair		
SCHOOL UNIFORM CLOTHES	Minimum Required	Number FY Has	Number FY Needs
Shirts	5		
Sweater	1		
Shorts	1 Pair		
Pants (male)	3 Pairs		
Pants (female)	1 Pair		
Skirt	2		

*Inventory should take into account children attending schools which require a uniform.

Any exceptions to these standards must be approved by KCT Administration

Comments:

Caseworker Signature: _____

Date: _____

Foster Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____

Foster Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____