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Nursing needs

We have an early childhood special education student who will be in our intensive low incidence classroom at Dogwood Elementary. He currently has an airless trach which requires regular and vital suctioning in order to keep him breathing. He has an in-home nurse for 16 hours per day due to his life-threatening medical needs. Our student will be turning three on February 7th and will begin attending early childhood classes on February 8th.

Since this is an immediate and crucial need we are leaning toward using a nursing agency. Rhonda Franken and I spent time interviewing area agencies. We were able to locate six potential agencies. Two of the agencies were no longer in business, two were unable to contract with schools, and we received two proposals for this service. After much discussion we are leaning toward Phoenix Home Health to provide this service for us. They are not only the least expensive but will locate a substitute nurse if the need arises, are licensed and insured, do work in other school districts, provide background checks as required by the school, and are the most familiar with the student's needs.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Lorri Travis Lorri Travis, Ed.S.