

JOHN F. KENNEDY ELEMENTARY
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Dear Parent/Guardian:

There are a number of children in our school that have a severe reaction to Peanuts, Nuts, Milk, Milk Products and other foods. Strict avoidance is the only way to prevent allergic reaction for these children. **Their allergy can be life threatening.**

We must do all we can to provide our students with a safe learning environment. In an effort to allow our students to fully participate in all classroom activities, we ask that you do not send in any foods that contain these products if you are helping during class parties or any other special event.

Due to the fact that we have many students that are highly allergic to Peanuts/Nuts, the cafeteria staff at JFK does not serve peanut butter and jelly sandwiches or products containing peanuts/nuts. We cannot prohibit non-allergic students from bringing the above named products to school. However, we do ask for your cooperation on the following matter. **Please instruct your child not to trade snacks or lunches with any other students as these food items may be harmful to another student.** If goodie bags are used for specific holiday events or parties, please utilize non-food tokens (such as a pencil, eraser, small toy) instead of any food or candy. We strive to make our school safe for all of our students.

We look forward to your cooperation and your understanding of this very important issue. If you have any questions, you may contact the School Nurse, the Principal or your child's teacher.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Peragallo, R.N.
School Nurse

Kolleen Myers
Principal