

September 3, 2013

Dear Kindergarten Parents,

This letter is to inform you that a student in kindergarten this year has a severe peanut allergy. Strict avoidance of peanut products is the only way to prevent a life threatening allergic reaction. We are asking your assistance in providing the student with a safe learning environment.

If exposed to peanuts the student may develop a life-threatening allergic reaction that requires emergency medical treatment. The greatest potential for exposure at school is peanut products. To reduce the risk of exposure, **the entire kindergarten area will be peanut free.** Please, do not send any peanut products for your child to eat during snack in the classroom or in their lunch. Any exposure to peanuts or peanut butter through contact or ingestion can cause a severe reaction. If your child has eaten peanuts or peanut butter prior to coming to school, please be sure your child's hands have been thoroughly washed before entering the school. Nut butters such as almond or sunflower butter are acceptable.

We appreciate your support of these procedures. Please complete and return the bottom portion of this form to your child's teacher so we are certain that every family has received this information. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Regards,

Sally Viavada, Principal