

Dear Parents:

There has been a great deal of attention paid to nut allergies by the media in recent months. It is becoming more and more common to have children with peanut allergies in school. Even a miniscule amount of peanuts or peanut butter can be fatal to some of these children. Some children develop allergic reactions when they ingest nut products (such as peanut butter). Others are more sensitive and react when they touch peanuts/peanut butter. Still others react to traces of nut dust in the air (from peanut shells for example). Air passages will constrict quickly if someone who has recently eaten nut products breathes near/on the child with this type of nut allergy.

There are several students at EBM who have been diagnosed with Peanut/Nut allergies and their parents have worked closely with the school to educate us in the proper way of keeping their children safe. Now we need your help. To protect the lives of these children we are going to become a Nut-Free Environment.

For birthdays or parties, please be sure these snacks are Peanut/Nut free.

Peanut/Nut free signs will be posted outside each classroom.

We appreciate the support of families in helping to minimize the possible fatal exposure of peanut allergy students to Peanut/Nut products. As always, the health of each and every EBM student continues to be of the utmost importance.

Sincerely,

EBM Staff

