



Questions You've Asked About

LIFE THREATENING ALLERGIES & THE CLASSROOM

? What exactly are the expectations of me as a parent of a child who does not have food allergies but is in a classroom with a child that does?

Answer: First read all the information that comes home with your child related to food allergies, anaphylaxis and how to read a label. Follow these steps daily to ensure a safe and healthy environment in the classroom.

1. Pack your child an allergy aware snack separate from their lunch box.
2. Have your child wash his/her hands before heading off to school after he/she has eaten Breakfast.
3. Remember: food is NOT allowed to be eaten on the bus.
4. Remind your child there is no food or drink sharing or trading allowed at school.
All students who are enrolled in an allergy aware class but do not have a life threatening allergy will place their lunchbox in a bin located right outside their classroom every morning.

? My child is a very picky eater and only eats peanut butter and jelly for lunch. What are my options?

Answer: That is not a problem. The only limitation is the snack your child eats in the classroom. He or She can pack their lunch as planned however they will not be allowed to eat with a friend who is eating at the allergy aware table.

? Can we send in products “manufactured on equipment that processes peanuts or tree nuts” or “processed in the same facility as peanuts or tree nuts”?

Answer: If you have been notified that your child shares a classroom with a student who has life-threatening food allergies, food identified with these warnings are not allowed in the classroom.

? What happens if I accidentally send in a product containing an allergy ingredient?

Answer: If a snack containing an allergy ingredient is accidentally sent in, you would receive a call from the principal as a friendly reminder of the importance of packing an allergy aware snack.

? Are we allowed to bring in a special food treats for our child to celebrate their birthdays with their classmates?

Answer: Food treats in the classroom are discouraged as part of the ORR and Superintendency Union #55 food policy.