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ALL FAMILIES MUST READ: LUNCH, SNACK & BIRTHDAY INFORMATION
2018-2019

Dear Parents,

With the start of a new school year, we are reminding families about our lunch and snack routines, and our birthday celebration policy, in our effort to keep St. Francis a safe environment for students with food allergies and other health concerns.

NO PEANUTS OR TREE NUTS WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE ESP ROOMS, PRESCHOOL, KINDERGARTEN, 1st Grade, 2nd Grade, 3rd Grade, 4th Grade, 5th Grade, 6th Grade, 7th, and 8th Grade.

Nut free zone signs will be posted outside each of these classrooms as well as in common rooms including the library, art, and music rooms.

A tree nut is any nut other than a peanut. This includes cashews, almonds, macadamia nuts, pecans, walnuts, pralines, and many others. Coconut allergies are often times present with tree nut allergies. Please read labels carefully. Any product processed in a facility with nuts may contain traces of nuts. Please refer to the link below which includes a list of safe snacks.

During lunch and snack times, grades prekindergarten – sixth grade will follow the same procedure:

- Children, teachers, and lunch duty supervisors will do their best to review all food to determine if there are any peanut/tree nut products present.
- Mrs. Van Oirschot and Mrs. Dunbar will make lunch parents aware of these routines.
- We ask that you help your child be aware of the items in his or her lunch.
- Please label all non-nut butters, including WOW butter, as nut free.

ST. FRANCIS DOES NOT PERMIT ANY FOOD-BASED BIRTHDAY TREATS.

We are happy to recognize student birthdays in other ways, but any food brought in to celebrate will be kept in the school office until a parent can pick it up.

Please refer to <http://snacksafely.com/safe-snack-guide/> as a guide. Thank you for your support in providing a healthy learning environment for all students.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Pritzel and the PK-8th Grade Staff