

# FOREST AVENUE SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/ Guardians,

This letter is to inform you that many children in our school have life threatening peanut/nut allergies. Strict avoidance of peanut/nut products is the only way to prevent a life threatening allergic reaction. We are asking your assistance in providing these students with a safe learning environment.

If exposed to peanuts/nuts the student may develop a life threatening allergic reaction that requires emergency medical treatment. The greatest potential for exposure at school is to peanut products and nut products. **To reduce the risk of exposure, please do not send any peanut or products containing nuts for your child to eat during snack in the classroom.** Any exposure to peanuts or nuts through contact or ingestion can cause a severe reaction. If your child has eaten peanuts or nuts prior to coming to school, please be sure your child's hands have been thoroughly washed prior to entering school.

Since lunch is eaten in the cafeteria, your child may bring peanut butter, peanut or nut products for lunch. Since the cafeteria is a more controlled environment, exposure risk can more easily be minimized. This plan will help to maintain safety in the classroom while allowing non- allergic classmates to enjoy peanut/nut products in the controlled environment.

If you have any questions, please contact the nurse's office.

Thank you for helping keep our students safe,

Roberta Weisbecker, Rn