

Dear Westchester parents/guardians:

This letter is to inform you that we have students here at Westchester that have potentially life-threatening allergies to peanuts, peanut products, tree nuts, and other food allergies.

Children with food allergies can have life-threatening reactions with some exposures to even tiny amounts of allergen. There are certain things that need to be done to keep these students safe and able to learn. Maintaining our birthday treat free procedure is one of our attempts of keeping our students safe here at Westchester. We ask that you please instruct your child not to share food with other classmates and to wash their hands frequently during the day and most importantly after they have something to eat.

For information about practical food allergy management in the school setting see: Schools.Allergyhome.org. Please take the time to view the 6 minute awareness module, Food Allergy Awareness for Parents of Children WITHOUT Food Allergies (www.allergyhome.org/parents).

Thank you for your support and commitment to our children. We look forward to a great school year!

Sincerely,

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