

Baked Goods and Treats Policy for the classroom

To help ensure the health and safety of all children, especially those with severe food allergies, the following policy applies to all baked goods and treats brought into the school for birthdays, celebrations, or special occasions:

- **Store-bought only:** All baked goods and treats must be commercially prepared and purchased from a store.
- **No items from a bakery or donut shop:** Most bakeries or donut shops use some type of peanut or tree nuts in their facility and do not provide an ingredient label.
- **No homemade items:** Homemade baked goods or treats are **not permitted**.
- **Ingredient labels required:** All treats must have a clearly visible ingredient label/package so staff can verify the ingredients and allergen information.
- **No peanuts or tree nuts:** Baked goods and treats containing **peanuts or tree nuts are strictly prohibited**.
- **No traces or cross-contamination:** Products must have **no traces of peanuts or tree nuts and must not have a risk of possible cross-contamination**. Please carefully check packaging for statements such as “may contain,” “made on shared equipment,” or similar warnings.
- **Tree nuts include, but are not limited to:**
 - Almonds
 - Brazil nuts
 - Cashews
 - Hazelnuts
 - Macadamia nuts
 - Pecans
 - Pine nuts
 - Pistachio nuts
 - Walnuts
- If an item does not have a clearly visible ingredient label or if there is any question regarding its ingredients or potential cross-contamination, **the item will not be served to children**.
- Here are some suggestions of stores and brands that are from **nut-free facilities** to choose from:
 - Jewel – Overjoyed, Lofthouse, Two-Bite
 - Mariano’s – Bakery Fresh, Two-Bite

This policy is in place to help ensure the safety of **all children**, particularly those with severe food allergies. We ask that families carefully review product labels before bringing any baked goods or treats to school.

Acknowledgment Form

I have read and understand the Baked Goods and Treats Policy for the classrooms as described on the previous page.

Child's Name

Date

Parent's Signature

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