

Latex Alert

Please be advised that this Latex Alert is to inform you that there are people at Monongalia County Schools with allergies to products that contain natural rubber latex.

What are the symptoms of a latex allergy?

Mild Reaction: skin redness, flushing, hives, and or itching.

Severe Reaction: respiratory symptoms such as runny nose, sneezing, itchy eyes, scratchy throat, and asthma (difficulty breathing or coughing spells). Severe reactions are similar to those seen in people allergic to bee stings.

These reactions may be life threatening.

What does this mean to you?

Although it is virtually impossible to keep the school environment totally **Latex Free**, there are specific items that are **RESTRICTED** from school property/activities (this includes daytime, evenings, and weekends.) These items include **Latex Gloves and Latex Balloons**. However, vinyl gloves, latex free gloves and Mylar (helium filled) balloons are acceptable.

How can you help?

Please read and review this Latex Alert with your children, to ensure that everyone at our school is aware of this problem. Our goal is to provide a safe environment for everyone at our school.



STOP!

Latex Allergy
Monongalia County Schools
No Latex Rubber Gloves
No Latex Balloons