

**St. Michael's Episcopal Day School
Food Allergy Policy**

St. Michael's is an Allergy Aware campus. In the interest of safety, both the School and the students and their families have responsibilities as follows:

The School's Responsibilities:

1. No peanut or nut products will be served at school. This includes the lunchroom, Early Childhood Education, Extended Care program, and classrooms.
2. It is a school rule that all children may not share food with each other.
3. Lunchroom tables will be wiped down after each meal; if lunches are eaten in the classroom, students will wipe down desks after eating lunch.
4. Each child with a known food allergy will have a Food Allergy and Anaphylaxis Emergency Care Plan in the office and in the classroom.
5. All necessary medications will be accessible at all times.
6. The faculty and staff will be educated about food allergies and signs and symptoms of allergy and anaphylaxis. The faculty and staff will be trained on the use of emergency epinephrine (EpiPens).
7. All faculty and staff will be made aware of which children have food allergies.
8. Students and families will be educated about food allergies and informed that no nuts or nut products should be packed in student lunches or snacks.
9. All emergency medications and Emergency Care Plans will be taken on field trips.
10. The school doctor is available to discuss food allergies, and will touch base with the families of those children with allergies at least yearly, to review and update the Emergency Care Plan.

The Families' Responsibilities:

1. The families of those children with food allergies will provide a completed Food Allergy and Anaphylaxis Emergency Care Plan to the school office.
2. The families of those children with food allergies will provide all proper medications for the child, including pharmacy labels on EpiPens and a picture of the child on the box.
3. ANY treats brought into the school or the classroom for sharing (i.e. class parties or birthday treats) must include a complete ingredient list. These treats may not contain nuts or nut products.
4. The families of those children with severe food allergies (those with Food Allergy and Anaphylaxis Emergency Care Plans that include emergency epinephrine) will provide separate treats for the child to have on hand for birthdays or class parties. Children with

known allergies will not be allowed to eat food provided by others, unless written permission is provided by the parent. Please clearly label the treats.

5. The families of those children with severe food allergies (those with Food Allergy and Anaphylaxis Emergency Care Plans that include emergency epinephrine) will provide emergency food bars that are safe for the child to eat. In the event of a school-wide lockdown, emergency food bars must be kept in the classroom. Please clearly label the bars.
6. The families of those children with food allergies will continue to educate and remind their child to eat only food provided by their family, and will help to educate teachers, parents, and if desired, classmates about food allergies.