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Dear Parents,

The incidence of students who have been diagnosed with potentially life-threatening food allergy is increasing each year. The foods that most commonly cause allergic symptoms in children are peanuts, tree nuts, milk, eggs, soy, fish and wheat.

We are committed to ensuring the safety of all students at Stonybrook School and our policies and procedures are reflective of this goal. We are asking your assistance in providing our food allergic students with a safe learning environment.

During the school year you may be sending in a special treat to be shared with the class. Please do not send shared food items that contain peanuts or tree nuts. Although most students with severe food allergy will not eat shared food items, the purpose of this request is to decrease the overall environmental exposure to the most common allergens. Right now there are no restrictions placed on foods brought to school for individual consumption.

We appreciate your support. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our school nurse, Mrs. Mary Bowers, 973-838-1999.

Sincerely,

Jodi Mulholland  
Principal

Mary Bowers, RN  
School Nurse