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SEAFORD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parents or Guardians:

Several students in our school have serious peanut, tree nut and sesame seed allergies. A child with a serious allergy can suffer a reaction merely by touching an allergy-containing food. Therefore, we are putting the following safety guidelines into effect:

Please do not send any peanuts, nuts, seeds, peanut butter or foods containing these ingredients to be eaten as snacks in the classroom. It is fine to send these products for lunch, which will be eaten in the cafeteria.

We will **not** be engaging in any classroom or art projects that involve peanut butter or nuts and seeds. Please do not send any of these projects to school with your child.

Birthday parties and classroom celebrations are a special time for children, but can be a difficult time for food-allergic children. It would be especially helpful if you could let your child's teacher know a few days ahead of time when you'd like to celebrate your child's birthday, so that the food-allergic child can provide his/her own safe treat.

A peanut, nut, sesame seed free table is provided in the cafeteria for any student with these allergies. Friends will be permitted to sit at this table provided that their lunches are peanut, nut, sesame seed free.

Food allergic children ride the school bus. **Food and beverages are not permitted on the school bus.** Please remind your children to wash their hands before going to school, especially if they ate any peanut butter.

Although we do encourage sharing, please speak to your child about not sharing food with others in case they have any type of food allergies.

If throughout the course of the year you have any questions or concerns about food Allergy related issues, please do not hesitate to contact any one of us.

Wishing you and your family a safe and healthy school year.

Sincerely,

Debra Emmerich
Principal

Patricia Gelling
Assistant Principal

Julie Canale, R.N.
School Nurse

*ALTHOUGH GOODY BAGS ARE NOT NECESSARY FOR CELEBRATIONS, NO FOOD, CANDY OR EDIBLE ITEMS ARE PERMITTED IN THESE BAGS.

THANK YOU!