

Las Virgenes Unified School District Pupil Services Department

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

As our year begins, we want you to be aware we have several students attending our school who are severely allergic to peanuts, tree nuts, and nut products. Our goal is for all students to be able to learn in an environment that is safe.

To accomplish this goal, we are asking for a nut/peanut safe environment at our school (Board Policy 5141.27). We realize that eliminating all nut/peanut-based products is challenging, however, we are requesting that you refrain from sending nut products to school with your child.

Children who are allergic to nut products do not need to ingest them to have a significant reaction, but may have a reaction from merely touching surfaces or items that have been in contact with nuts/peanuts. Please talk with your child about nut allergies and encourage them not to share food. Most students are genuinely concerned and want to help their classmates.

We hope you will support our efforts to have a nut/peanut safe school campus. It can be a wonderful opportunity for your child to learn about caring and thinking of other's needs.

We appreciate your support and understanding in providing a safe environment for all our students.

Sincerely,

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