



ST. ELIZABETH CATHOLIC SCHOOL

NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE

ACCREDITED BY ADVANCED

St. Elizabeth School is **NOT** a nut-free school

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Mary Our Queen

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I am asking you to support St. Elizabeth School's effort to provide a safe environment for all children, and to, whenever possible, provide experiences that do not single out children with special needs.

- Children are permitted to bring nut products to school for lunch. The cafeteria is well-ventilated.
- All children may sanitize their hands prior to leaving the cafeteria.
- Only nut-free snacks should be sent in for daily classroom snacks. I'm asking that you check all labels carefully and avoid any products that list nuts, peanuts, peanut flour, peanut oil, or manufactured in a factory that also produces peanut products as an ingredient.

Classroom parties: If you are asked to provide a food for a party or event, please follow these procedures:

- ☐ Check ALL labels. Companies are becoming clearer with their labeling. Check the ingredients' list first, avoiding any item that lists nuts or nut products.
- ☐ Read the Allergy information often offered in bold typeface. Avoid any product that states, "May contain traces of nuts". This means that this product was manufactured in a facility that uses nuts elsewhere and the product may be contaminated.
- ☐ For home-baked goods, please understand the critical importance of thoroughly cleaning countertops prior to preparing food, and avoiding using nuts of any kind as well as nut flour and nut oil.
- ☐ Please notify the teacher of your plan to provide a class snack and what the snack will be at least one week in advance. This allows the teacher to communicate with parents who have children with allergies.

Again, St Elizabeth School is **NOT** a nut-free school; however, it is important to continue our efforts to provide the safest environment for all of our children.

Wishing you and your family a happy, healthy school year!

Sincerely yours,

Mary Penny
School Principal