

Severe Allergy / School Wide Ban Sample Letter

Dear Parents:

Please be advised that _____ School **is banning any snack or food item from the school that contains peanuts or nuts.** It is necessary for us to take these measures because of the significant number of students who are allergic to nuts. In some cases, these foods are life threatening; therefore, we will not be serving foods with these ingredients in our lunch program.

We recognize the popularity of peanut butter and jelly as a lunch option for many students. We will be substituting the peanut butter in our lunch program with an alternative called Sunbutter which is made from sunflower seeds. We are confident the students will not notice the difference. Information regarding this product is available at sunbutter.com

As parents of children who attend our school it is critical that you assist us in providing a safe environment for all our students. **We need you to check snack labels carefully and do not send anything made with peanut butter/oil to school.**

I know this may create an inconvenience to you, but I am confident that if the situation was reversed and it was your child who was affected that you would want the peace of mind knowing that when your child went to school he/she would be safe.

In the event that someone comes to school with a peanut or nut product for snack or lunch please be advised that we will contact you for a replacement or if we have an alternative we will offer it to your child. Thank you for your assistance with this serious matter. Please feel free to contact me if you have questions or concerns. Expect to hear your children talk about being “peanut free” when discussing food items. Please return the bottom portion of this letter so that we know you have received this important information.

Sincerely,

Your School Nurse

I have read and understand the peanut-free classroom precautions that will help keep the school environment safe for food allergic students.

Parent Signature

Child's Name