



Dear Parents,

This letter is to inform you students in your child's program have a severe peanut/nut allergy. Strict avoidance of peanut/nut products is the only way to prevent a life threatening allergic reaction. We are asking your assistance in providing the students with a safe learning environment.

If exposed to peanuts/nuts the students may develop a life-threatening allergic reaction that requires emergency medical treatment. The greatest potential for exposure at the program is to peanut products and nut products. To reduce the risk of exposure, the classrooms will be peanut/nut free. We request that you do not send any peanut or nut containing products for your child to eat during snack times (morning/afternoon). Any exposure to peanuts or nuts through contact or ingestion can cause a severe reaction. If your child has eaten peanut or nut products prior to coming to SMARTS, please be sure your child's hands have been thoroughly washed prior to entering the school.

Since lunch is eaten in the cafeteria, your child may bring peanut butter, peanut or nut products for lunch. In the cafeteria there will be a designated peanut-free table where any classmate without peanut or nut products can sit. If your child sits at this table with a peanut or nut product, s/he will be asked to move to another table. This plan will help to maintain safety in the program while allowing non allergic classmates to enjoy peanut/nut products in a controlled environment. Following lunch, the children will wash their hands prior to going to recess (or returning to the classrooms.) The tables will be cleaned with soap, water and paper towels after each lunch.

We appreciate your support of these procedures. Please complete and return this form so that we are certain that every family has received this information. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sherye Weisz, Executive Director

I have read and understand the peanut/nut free classroom procedures. I agree to do my part in keeping the classroom peanut and nut free.

Child's Name: _____

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____