

St. Elias Community School is a Nut Free School

St. Elias Community School has students who have severe anaphylactic reactions to tree nuts including peanuts. As a result **St. Elias Community School is a nut free school.**

SECS Staff is wanting to ensure all parents and community members are aware of our nut free policy and are asking for your cooperation by not sending any nuts, including peanuts, peanut butter or foods made with nuts and nut oil to school with your child for lunch, snack, or any other time. It is very important that these products do not come into the school.

The health and safety of our students with allergies are at risk if these products are present in our school. If a student is anaphylactic, it means that there could be sudden, and potentially fatal, allergic reactions which would require immediate medical emergency measures. In students who are severely anaphylactic, fatal exposure does not merely mean ingesting nuts or nut products, it can be through indirect exposure (example, peanut oil contact through touching of objects). This is the reason why our school is nut free.

If, by mistake, lunches or snacks arrive at school containing peanut butter, nut products or oils, students will be provided a replacement lunch or snack and a friendly Nut Free reminder note will be sent home with the student.

St. Elias School Administration and Staff appreciate your cooperation and understanding.