

In order to minimize the health risk to students who suffer from severe allergic reactions to nuts, nut butter, nut oils, and other food derivatives thereof, it shall be the policy of the Newport School Department that:

- a. All school food service workers shall be given in-service food allergy awareness training at least once each year;
- b. The families of every student who has a severe food allergy shall notify the school nurse and/or other appropriate school officials.
- c. Parents/guardians shall be advised that the name(s) of their child(ren) with a severe food allergy shall be shared on a need-to-know basis.
- d. For grades K-5, school administrators shall explore and implement “nut-free” tables or zones in the cafeteria, as needed to accommodate individuals with food allergies.
- e. All food products containing nuts or nut byproducts served in schools shall be clearly identified as containing those items on the menu. Wherever practicable, individual food items containing nuts or nut byproducts shall also be so identified;
- f. School administrators shall accommodate, to the full extent of the law, those students who have certified conditions or disabilities that prevent them from safely eating the standard menu choices in the school cafeteria.
- g. Abide by Newport School Department Wellness Policy (refer to Policy No. 5224).

Appended Document: Sodexo Practices for Food Safety

History:

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