

Dear Parents,

At Dr. Julian Rogus Elementary School, we will be implementing a health and safety program for anaphylactic children. These anaphylactic children have a life-threatening allergy to peanuts, tree nuts, and lentils. Our goal is to provide a safe environment for all students in each of their individual circumstances.

As a school community, it is important to support each other. One of the great things about Summit Hill School District #161 is the partnership we have with our families and in our community. We are asking for your assistance in providing a safe learning environment for all of our students who have life-threatening peanut allergies.

To reduce the risk of exposure, we are asking that food products containing peanut, tree nut, or lentils not to be brought in to school for class activities such as birthdays, celebrations, recreational or instructional class activities. It is important to know that just a tiny amount of the allergen, a trace amount, is enough to cause a reaction that will threaten the life of these allergic children. Therefore, we are asking that you be aware of the labels of products that read, "may contain, shared equipment with, contains trace amounts, or processed on" that indicate peanuts or tree nuts may be present.

The safety of all of our children is a priority to this district. We appreciate your support of ensuring a safe school environment for all students.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Kathryn Klein, Principal