

Bright Star Academy

Allergy/Special Needs/Religious/Personal Policy on Food And Snacks

Any child that enrolls in our school and has ANY food allergy/health needs/dietary restrictions due to personal or religious beliefs will be required to bring his/her own snacks, lunch and any special treats for celebrations. The child will be required to bring in a plastic box with lid that contains his/her snacks. The box must be labeled with the child's name and a picture of the child must be taped to the lid.

Each child must have appropriate completed medical forms, medication forms and proper medication if required. All forms must be signed by a physician and parent. If forms are not completed properly or outdated the child will NOT be able to be in school until all forms are updated and completed. These forms must be updated every six months. All medications, epi-pens, inhalers, etc. must be sent into school in their original bottle, or packaging, with the original prescription. This includes non-prescription medicines like Tylenol or Benadryl. Non-prescription medicines also require the appropriate medication forms.

Bright Star Academy will develop an Individual Health Care Plan for a child with special health care needs. This plan will work in collaboration with the child's parent/guardian and child's health care provider. The child's name and allergy/health need will be posted in each classroom and office.

Children with moderate to severe allergies will be seated at a "Safe Table", under the supervision of a staff member. **Any child with allergies that require medication or epi-pens will not be able to have any school snacks or food.** These policies help to ensure the safety and wellbeing of each child.