

 THE PRAIRIE SCHOOL

Peanut & Tree Nut Policy

We have many students with allergies to peanuts and/or tree nuts where an accidental exposure, even in trace amounts, could cause a severe and potentially life-threatening allergic reaction.

While we are not completely nut-free, we are a peanut/tree nut-aware community in the following ways:

- The dining room serves WOW butter, a soy-based peanut butter alternative;
- Lunches made by the TPS dining staff will not contain peanut/tree nut oil or products;
- Although students may bring peanut butter sandwiches in cold lunches, we encourage alternatives; and
- We carefully sanitize tables between lunch periods, require Primary students to wash their hands after lunch, and encourage Middle and Upper School students to do the same.

For the continued safety of our students, we ask that families sending group treats for birthdays, field trips, team snacks, after-school practices, and bake sales to please do the following:

- Send only nut-free foods;
- Choose well-known brands, which are generally safer;
- Always check the ingredients label and do not choose any items that read “May contain peanuts or tree nuts;” and
- Send food in its original packaging so we can double-check the ingredients if needed.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.