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GCCNS is a Nut-Free School

GCCNS is committed to maintaining a nut-free school. In the classroom and at all school events where children are present, there will be:

- 1. No foods containing peanuts or tree nuts.**
- 2. No foods produced in a facility that also produces peanuts or tree nuts.**

Please READ ALL LABELS of foods that will be served to children. Allergen information is marked on the ingredients list.

We have students at GCCNS who have severe allergies and may have an adverse and potentially life-threatening reaction to peanuts and/or tree nuts. A child who comes into contact with peanuts (through ingestion, skin exposure or cross-contamination) may experience an **anaphylactic reaction**, i.e. difficulty breathing, itching, unconsciousness and possibly death.

Epinephrine (i.e. adrenaline via an Epi-pen) is the medication of choice for controlling a severe reaction. GCCNS students with known food allergies have a treatment plan on file and their teachers have been trained to follow that plan. The goal of this policy is to create an atmosphere that will reduce the risks to children with food allergies and keep all of our students at GCCNS safe.

If you are snack parent, please consult the list of “approved” snacks and birthday treats provided by the school. We thank you for your cooperation.