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Special Occasion Allergy Awareness

Dear St. Gabriel Parent/Guardian,

At St. Gabriel School we are committed to providing a safe and welcoming environment for all of our students. Throughout the school year, St. Gabriel School celebrates birthdays, holidays, and other important dates tied to our Catholic faith. Food items are often provided to our students as a special treat.

Please note that we have many students in our school who have special diets or severe allergies to specific foods, objects, or substances. Teaching our students to be mindful of other students' food-related concerns is a lesson in respect and compassion. This year we have the following allergies/intolerances in our school:

Dairy	Peanuts	Gluten	Tree Nuts	Eggs
Fish	Red Dye	Shellfish	Coconut	Strawberries
Rice	Soy	Fructose		

If there is a specific allergy in your student's classroom, you should have received a notification from the teacher. We respectfully ask that you consider alternative food choices, or non-food items when sending in a treat for the entire class for special occasions.

When planning and/or working at all-school events, please consider foods or activities that avoid the above substances or properly label foods that contain possible allergens. Teachers will have conversations with students about being respectful of other students' differences. Being cautious when sharing, cleaning up after themselves, and respecting students' food restrictions are all wonderful lessons for every grade level and a positive, supportive attitude at home makes all the difference.

While St. Gabriel school is not a "peanut-free" or any other "allergy free" school, we encourage our families to be as accommodating as possible to our community members. Please contact your student's teacher if you are unsure whether one of your student's classmates has an allergy. Thank you for your cooperation and assistance as we help create a safe learning environment for all students.

God bless,

St. Gabriel School Administration