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Dear Parent or Guardian,

Attached, please find a ***“Party Snack List”***. In an effort to meet the needs of all of our students at East Allegheny a “Healthy Foods Snack List” is being introduced in the interest of our students with the cooperation of the district and The Nutrition Group.

With the growing number of serious food allergies present in many of our students, it has become apparent that our students’ needs could be met through the use of an approved snack list.

All of the foods listed on the attached “Party Snack List” are tree nut free and adhere to the state guidelines set for foods to be sold in school districts. A copy of the specific nutrition facts can be obtained upon request through the food service office.

As you may know, food products can vary greatly from one manufacturer to another. One item that may be deemed allergy safe from one manufacture is not necessarily safe from another manufacturer. To eliminate this problem, all of the approved party snacks will come from the food-service department, who can monitor food ingredients. Each item on the list will be able to be purchased by parents “at cost”. The price of each item is listed on the Approved Party Snack List.

Ordering is easy. Simply fill out the Snack Order Form, found on the district’s web site under the cafeteria tab, include the form with cash or check for payment and send it to school with your child. A **two-week advance notice** is requested to ensure that your student’s choices can be accommodated; however the food service office will do everything they can to fill orders that do not meet this timeline. On the day of your student’s request, the items will be delivered to the school. The teacher will be notified of the snack and they can handle the treats in the same manner as usual.

This policy helps all of our staff address allergy, wellness, and sanitation issues in the school environment in an effort to protect all of our children.

We thank you in advance for your support and cooperation.

