

## EAST ISLIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

## SUMMARY OF THE STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES POLICY

Food allergies appear to be increasing in frequency and the number of students affected is rising. Due to the seriousness of food allergies, the East Islip School District continually reviews our policy and regulation, and we want to ensure all of our families are aware of these policies.

Please review the most important components below which will be in effect in our schools. Please fill out the tear off below and sign it to confirm your awareness of this information.

- All children will be made aware of the importance of not sharing or trading food, utensils, or containers. In
  only with permission of the cafeteria aide and must have lunches purchased in the cafeteria. They may not
  share food.
- 2. Our schools will be enforcing a non-food-based celebration policy. This is in order to avoid dangerous situations for children having potentially life-threatening allergies. Parents and students will not be permitted to bring any food(s) into school for birthday celebrations.
- 3. Transportation and Field Trips There is no eating permitted on school buses when children are being transported to and from school. Additionally, food is not to be permitted on school buses on field trips.
- 4. Middle School and High School At the secondary level, there are fewer in-class birthday celebrations. There is, however, more of a need for curriculum based, food centered activities, such as Family Consumer Science classes, Foreign Language classes. Prior to these events, letters are sent home to parents informing them of the
  - whenever possible instead of classrooms. Signs will also be posted in the middle school and high school to remind students that they must be aware of the possible presence of nuts or nut products.

The policies (Student Wellness #5405 and Student Health Services #5420) may be found Tfr strTETQ0.0000092 0 612 72 re