

WHITINSVILLE CHRISTIAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROTOCOL FOR FOOD IN THE CLASSROOM

Food brought in or provided for snacks and lunch: Students are discouraged from sharing food brought in for lunch/snack with any other students. WCS cannot guarantee that food served in the lunch program is allergen free. Students with allergies are encouraged to bring their own snacks and lunch to school if there are any concerns.

Food brought in for birthday celebrations: To ensure that all students can participate in the celebration, food brought in for birthdays will be chosen from the standard approved list of foods – SEE BELOW - *CHANGES HAVE BEEN MADE FROM PREVIOUS YEARS*. **Processed foods must be provided in the original package and must be brought to school ONE DAY before the celebration, for the nurse to review student allergy information for that particular classroom.** Fresh fruit may be brought in the day of the celebration.

Approved Birthday Celebration List

(No homemade treats are allowed due to allergy concerns with cross-contamination. Please note that many items must be brand specific.)

Fresh Fruit	Extra Recess (talk with teacher in advance)	Non-food items such as pencils or small gifts
Popsicles/freeze pops (no artificial flavors or dyes)	Goldfish crackers	Rold Gold Pretzels
Kellogg's Rice Krispie Treats – Original Flavor only (homemade Rice Krispie treats are not allowed)	Bagged Popcorn	Organic/all natural Fruit Snacks or Lollipops (e.g. Black Forest, YumEarth)
Applesauce cups	Kellogg's Teddy Grahams	Portable yogurt
Gluten-Free Pretzels (Snyders of Hanover)	Ice Cream Cups (Hoodsie & Breyers) - Chocolate/vanilla	Starbursts