In conformance with Policy 6192, Section 504 Overview, the School District of New Berlin works very closely with parents of students who have allergies to minimize the risk of students having allergic reactions at school. Below are some Frequently Asked Questions from parents of students with allergies.

Is the School District of New Berlin "nut free"?

The School District of New Berlin takes allergies seriously and will take precautions to maintain safe and healthy schools. Due to the variety of allergies and the different levels of severity we cannot guarantee an allergy free environment. For example:

- Students and visitors to the schools may bring in cold lunches and/or snacks that could have nut product in them.
- The Food Service Department does not use nuts as an ingredient in any food they make, but they do occasionally serve items with nuts or that are made with commodity peanut butter. These products are used at our secondary schools: Eisenhower and West only, where visible signage specifies if something contains nuts. Extra precautions are taken with students who are unable to read the signs.
- The Food Service Department uses popular food products that do not contain nuts but are made in factories where nut products could be used (for example cookies and ice cream.) Families with concerns about this type of labeling may contact the Food Service Department so they are aware of the products that fall into this category.

If my child has a nut or other food allergy, is it safe for him/her to take hot lunch?

Yes. Parents of students with severe food allergies should have completed a Eating & Feeding Evaluation Form. Completed forms are provided to both the District Nurse and the District Food Service Director, who is a registered dietician. The Food Service Department will then contact the family to discuss the child's allergy, food products, what days there may be concerns, and if any menu substitutions are needed.

How does the school district make other students/families aware of students with severe food allergies?

- Notices alerting all who enter the school about severe allergies are posted by each entrance.
- Notices are posted on classroom doors where a student has severe allergies.
- Each cafeteria has one or two tables promoted as a "peanut-free" table and labeled as such.

If I have questions or concerns about the food that is served in school, who do I contact?

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