## EUFAULA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

A student(s) in your child's school has been identified as having a life-threatening food allergy to nuts. Approximately 12 million Americans have food allergies, including an estimated 2 million school aged children. Food allergies can be potentially **FATAL** and there is no cure. Sometimes, if they eat, touch, or breathe a tiny amount of the food they're allergic to, they can become ill. The only way to avoid a reaction is to avoid the offending food.

Eufaula Public Schools is dedicated to ensuring the safety of all students. We are asking for your assistance with this by not bringing foods/snacks that may contain that may contain nuts. Examples would be peanuts, peanut butter sandwiches, chocolate, and candies such as Snickers, Butterfingers, and others. Please check the labels as some foods may not contain nuts but would have been prepared in a manufacture that does use nuts.

We realize we can never eliminate all sources of nuts, especially "hidden" sources of nuts, but with your partnership, we can reduce the risk of exposure.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact your principal or school nurse at the numbers listed below:

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