



Food and Birthday Policies

We love celebrations and parties at POP Kids! In an effort to create a safe and fair environment for all of our children, we have established a list of snack and treat suggestions that will meet our allergy children's needs, nutritional needs and our diverse, family income circumstances. Since several of our enrolled children have allergies, parents are asked to NOT send any food to school from home (including home baked goods). This includes birthday parties, holiday parties and other occasions. Permission must be given by the teacher AND the administrator if there are any exceptions. You may, however, send birthday treats from the list below.

We have also included some wonderful opportunities to teach our children the importance of kindness toward those less fortunate. Please remember, it is not necessary to bring in anything for birthday celebrations. Each child's teacher and classmates will treat them in a special way during class on their birthday.

Note: If your child is having a private party, please mail invitations and do not bring them to school.

Option #1 –L.I.F.E* Food Pantry Donations

*L.I.F.E (Loveland Inter-faith Effort) is the food pantry that is housed here at Prince of Peace and many Loveland area churches provide the volunteers to operate it. They serve approximately 80 families a month and the number keeps growing!

- Bring in nonperishable items such as canned goods, boxed cereal, Mac and cheese, etc.
- Create a "birthday celebration" pack. Include in a 9" x 12" aluminum pan all the things that are needed to make a cake or birthday celebration. Items could include: cake batter, icing, candles, decorations for the cake, napkins, etc. Create your own!

Sometime during class, the children will take the donations to L.I.F.E and donate them in honor of your child.

Option #2 - A donation of a children's book to the class

Have your child pick out a special book to donate to his/her classroom. We put a special sticker in the book that will honor your child.

Option #3 – Treat/Goodie Bags for the children to take home



ABSOLUTELY NO PEANUT OR PEANUT PRODUCTS or homemade products (items must be prepackaged so parents know the ingredients).

Please contact the teacher **prior** to your child's birthday to let her know when and what you are bringing (sometimes there can be several birthdays on the same day).

All goodie bags will be passed out as the children are leaving class.

Some suggestions:

Fruit roll-ups

Fruit snacks

Teddy Graham's

Iced Animal Crackers

Cheese Crackers

Stickers

Small bottles of bubbles

Small container of play dough

Crayons

Coloring Books

markers

stencils

pencils

books



Thank you for assisting us in providing a safe, fair environment for all our children. Please see Angie Seiller with questions or concerns.

