MOUNTAIN HOME SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 193 MOUNTAIN HOME, IDAHO 83647

PROCEDURES

WELLNESS PROCEDURE ATTACHMENT 3 – CLASSROOM SNACKS

(Website)

Classrooms have been the setting for birthday celebrations for students for decades. While this practice continues today, there are guidelines that should be followed in today's classrooms.

There can be NO products brought into the classrooms that are made with peanuts, peanut products, or nut oils of any kind. Severe allergic reactions may occur, and may occur by merely smelling peanut products or snacks, and therefore prohibited in the classroom.

Any snacks should be low in sugar content and calories. Fresh fruit should always be provided as an alternative to treats made with sugar for students who prefer a healthier option or have specific dietary restrictions. Healthy options should have at least as many servings as the non-healthy or marginally healthy option. Fruit juice beverages should contain at least 90% real fruit juice. Snacks for the classroom could include pretzels, animal crackers, vanilla wafers, graham crackers, fruit grain bars, low-fat string cheese, fruit snacks, or seasonal fruit or vegetables with low fat dip.

There are several websites that offer recipes for healthy snacks that are appropriate for classroom celebrations. The websites are:

- 1. www.snacksfortoddlers.com offers recipes for snacks for kids
- 2. <u>www.eatingwell.com/recipes_menus/collections/quick_healthy_snack_recipes</u> offers nutritious snacks
- 3. <u>www.squaremeals.org</u> offers nutritious suggestions
- 4. www.Liftoffsplayground.com offers recipes and nutritional information
- 5. www.Familyfun.go.com lists nutritious classroom appropriate snack options and healthy afterschool nutritional snacks
- 6. www.KraftFoods.com provides a variety of healthy snack options and recipes

Other sources for low calorie or healthy snacks may be found by searching for healthy snacks on the website.

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