



## Food Allergy – Survey Questions

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*These survey questions were asked of parents with a child age 5-12.*

Q1. What type of school does your X-year old child attend?

1. Public school
2. Private school
3. Charter school
4. Home school
5. Does not attend school
6. Other

*Many people have reactions after eating certain foods. A **food allergy** is a potentially life-threatening reaction that may involve hives, difficulty breathing, vomiting, or shock. A **food intolerance** is less severe, and may involve an upset stomach, behavioral changes, headache, chronic cold symptoms, or body ache.*

*A common type of food allergy is peanut or tree nut allergy.*

Q2. Does your child(ren) have a food allergy?

1. No
2. Yes, a peanut or tree nut allergy
3. Yes, another type of food allergy

Q3. Suppose a student in your child's class has a peanut/tree nut allergy.

How do you think the school should manage lunchtime for that student?

*Select the best response.*

1. Allergic child eats in lunchroom; no restrictions on nut-containing foods
2. Allergic child eats in classroom or other area away from lunchroom
3. Allergic child eats at a one table in lunchroom designated nut-free
4. Entire lunchroom is designated nut-free
5. Entire school is designated nut-free

Q4. How do you think the school should manage lunchtime for your nut-allergic child?

Select the best response.

1. Child eats in lunchroom; no restrictions on nut-containing foods
2. Child eats in classroom or other area away from lunchroom
3. Child eats at one table in lunchroom designated nut-free
4. Entire lunchroom is designated nut-free
5. Entire school is designated nut-free

Suppose 1-2 students in your child's school (but not in your child's class) have a peanut/tree nut allergy.

Q5. How much do you support the following policies related to nut allergies?

	Strongly support	Somewhat support	Somewhat against	Strongly against
No lunch or snack items containing nuts allowed anywhere in school				
No lunch or snack items containing nuts allowed for classes with a nut-allergic child				
No food brought from home at school parties or events				

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