

**Xavier Elementary Schools
Management of Students with Severe Allergies Plan
2016-2017**

In accordance with Wisconsin Law, 2013 Act 239 -

1. All students with diagnosed food or other severe allergies will report it to the school and have an Emergency Care Plan on file at their Xavier Elementary School. The Emergency Care Plan will be updated annually, unless there is a change in the student's medical condition requiring it to be updated sooner.
2. All parents of students with food or other severe allergies, who are new to Xavier Elementary Schools, will meet with the student's teacher(s) and/or the principal prior to the start of the school year to discuss the Emergency Care Plan, medications and medication locations, and classroom and curriculum modifications that may be required. Returning students parents will meet with the student's teachers for the current school year.
3. Parents of food allergic children may keep a box of safe-snacks at school, stored by the student's teacher in the classroom.
4. Parents of food allergic children will be allowed to act as a chaperone on field trips. Parents recognize that additional field trip and transportation fees may apply, and VIRTUS training is required.
5. The hot lunch program at Xavier Elementary Schools is provided on site. Parents of food allergic children should contact the food services director with any questions or concerns regarding allergen content.
6. Special subject teachers (art, music, gym, Spanish, etc.) support staff, and coaches will be aware of all students with allergies and plan accordingly for that grade level.
7. Student allergy information will be included in substitute teacher plans. Upon substitute teacher check-in, the office staff will verify that the substitute teacher is aware of the history of food allergies, avoidance strategies and the Emergency Action Plan.
8. Xavier Elementary Schools will have an Emergency Allergy-Anaphylactic Response Procedure in place. The Protocol will be reviewed and updated annually.
9. Taunting or bullying of students with food allergies will not be tolerated.
10. Teachers and administrators will attend training in the recognition of the early signs of allergy-anaphylaxis and their management. Specific training regarding the use of epinephrine auto-injectors will be included. Training will be reviewed annually.

11. Xavier Elementary Schools will maintain on-site epinephrine auto-injectors for use in the event of an allergy- anaphylaxis emergency. Stock epinephrine will be kept in two separate well marked locations (at each school), in a tamper-resistant box. An additional set of epinephrine injectors will be available in the office for travel.

12. Xavier Elementary Schools recognize that allergen avoidance is critical to the health of students diagnosed with food allergy-anaphylaxis. Xavier Elementary Schools are committed to:

- Increasing awareness of food allergy-anaphylaxis and decreasing the potential of a severe, life-threatening reaction.
- A campus wide no sharing of food rule.
- Good hygiene, including washing hands with soap and water before and after eating.
- Allergen-free/friendly lunch tables, when requested by parents.
- At least 1 day notice to parents of food allergic children, when there is a plan to serve food in the classroom. Whenever possible, food served in the classroom should be safe for consumption by all students for inclusion of all in celebrations.
- The promotion of non-food based incentives and rewards.

13. This Severe Allergies Plan will be reviewed and updated annually.

Physician Approval:

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Date signed:

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Additional Resources:

Wisconsin Stock Epinephrine Law

<https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/2013/related/acts/239>

CDC Voluntary Guidelines for Managing Food Allergies in Schools and Early Childhood Education Programs

http://www.cdc.gov/healthyyouth/foodallergies/pdf/13_243135_A_Food_Allergy_Web_5_08.pdf