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Dear Parents,

This letter is to inform you that a student in your child's class has a severe food allergy to peanuts/nuts. As you may already know, food allergies are a growing health issue among today's children. In fact, it is now estimated that over three million children in the United States have significant food allergies. In many cases, these food allergies are life threatening. What's more, it only takes a miniscule amount of food to cause the reaction. In the case of peanuts, it has been demonstrated that as little as 1/10,000 of a teaspoon of peanut or peanut butter can cause a fatal food reaction.

Our classrooms need to be safe, friendly, healthy places to learn and grow for all of our children. With that in mind, your compliance with our new guideline is imperative. Please consult our new guidelines and contact your school nurse with any questions or concerns. We look forward to helping in any way we can. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
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