

POLICY EFAB

Board of Education
Las Cruces Public Schools

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Responsible Office: Associate Superintendent for Operations

STUDENT FOOD ALLERGIES

I. PURPOSE

To establish procedures that support the health and well being of students and staff at school or school-sponsored events who have food intolerances and food allergies, especially those that may be life-threatening.

II. ISSUE

The Board of Education's primary goal is to provide a safe environment for all children. Food intolerances and food allergies afflict a number of students in the Las Cruces Public Schools. Allergic reactions range from mild to severe to life-threatening anaphylaxis.

III. POSITION

A. The Board recognizes the importance of addressing food intolerances and food allergies (including life-threatening food allergies) and acknowledges its responsibility and charges the Superintendent to develop regulations and protocols that address: (a) Preventative measures to reduce exposure to allergens in school facilities and school-sponsored activities; (b) Professional development; (c) Coordination of services by a multidisciplinary team to address the individual student's needs; (d) Emergency response procedures to treat allergic reactions.

B. ~~Schools~~ The school building safety team shall work with staff, students, and parents to provide a safe educational environment for students with food allergies.

C. The district-level safety team shall develop training and guidance regarding food intolerances and food allergies, including life-threatening food allergies.

IV. REVIEW AND REPORTING

This Policy will be reviewed in accordance with the Board of Education policy review process.

*Legal references and citations:
USDA regulations 7 CFR Part 15b*

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Board of Education President

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