

Allergy Management Program in the Branchburg Township Schools PK - 5th Grade



The LUNCHROOM:

In your child's lunchroom, there will be identified tables, known as the "ALLERGY TABLES." This separate seating in the lunchroom is for students with life threatening food allergies. These tables will be cleaned daily without cross contamination from the other lunchroom tables. Students whose parents/guardians want their child to sit at the ALLERGY TABLES, will always sit there for lunch. Students who sit at the ALLERGY TABLE can invite a buddy to sit with them ONLY if their buddy is buying lunch. Contact Maschios, our food services vendor, if you have any questions regarding their served foods. [Maschio's Food Service for Branchburg Schools](#)

If you have informed us that your child has a history of severe food allergies, your child will be placed at the ALLERGY TABLE at the start-up of each school year. If you prefer that your child NOT sit at the ALLERGY TABLE, here is the [form](#) you must complete, for your child to sit elsewhere in the lunchroom. Until we receive this completed [form](#) back from you, your child will sit at the ALLERGY TABLE.



Your Child's Medical Information and Their Medication:

If your child has been identified by their physician to have a history of allergies, here is the **PHYSICIAN'S ORDERS FOR ALLERGY EMERGENCY TREATMENT FORM** your child's physician (pg 1) and you (pg 2) will need to complete and return to the school nurse with your child's EpiPen/Auvi-Q/Benadryl as indicated on the form.

EpiPen DELEGATES:

Throughout the school building, the school nurse has trained EpiPen delegates to administer epinephrine in the absence of a school nurse in the response to a life-threatening allergic reaction. See second page of **PHYSICIAN'S ORDERS FOR ALLERGY EMERGENCY TREATMENT FORM**

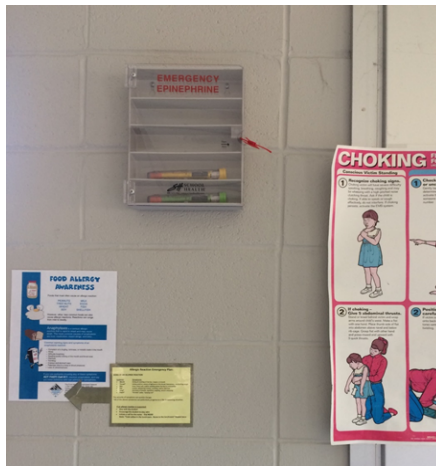
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EpiPens are stored in the lunchroom (1), near the main office (2) and in the health office (3) at Whiton Elementary School.

EpiPens are stored near the main office/lunchroom (1), near the exit for recess (2) and in the health office (3) at Stony Brook School.

For an example, here are just some of the stored EpiPen locations:

Lunchroom at Whiton Elementary School



Near main office/lunchroom and exit for recess at Stony Brook School



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LEARNING & SELF ADVOCACY:

Throughout your child's school experiences, the school nurses will help to guide your child through the learning process as it pertains to their individual allergies. We will help them to develop the knowledge and skills to self advocate for themselves. They will build an understanding of the names of unsafe foods and what those foods commonly look like. We will teach them how to seek out an adult if they do not feel well and need our help. Our goal for your child is to give them the tools to become self advocates for themselves.

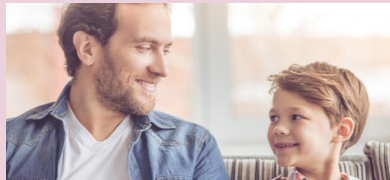


PARENT/GUARDIAN TIPS:

[Top 8 Food Allergies in Kids and What Parents Need to Know](#)



[Talking to Children About Their Food Allergy](#)



[GOING TO SCHOOL WITH FOOD ALLERGIES](#)



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Please reach out to the school nurse in your child's building should you have any further questions not answered in this overview of our ALLERGY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM.

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