

TS Youth Peanut Policy

Purpose: To enact a food allergy policy to keep our youth group members safe and free from harm.



Our Youth Group has food allergies. There is no “them” & “us” on this issue. We are “One” (Romans 12:5, 1 Corinthians 12:12). So WE have food allergies. In order to keep “US” safe, please adhere to the following guidelines as if your child’s life depended upon it.

1) No food may contain peanuts.

Don’t bring it to the church building. Don’t buy it on a youth trip. Preferably don’t eat anything with peanuts before you come here without brushing your teeth.

2) Read Labels For All Food

Ideal: “Made in a Peanut Free Facility.” This is the best!

Acceptable: “Produced in a facility that also produces peanuts.” Handle with care.

Unacceptable: “May contain peanuts” This includes things like M&Ms.

Don’t even: “Contains Peanuts” Seriously, don’t do it.

3) If you don’t know ask.

We have some peanut allergy advocates. If you are not sure about a food, I will direct you to one of the people that I heavily rely upon to keep our kids safe.

4) It does NOT matter that “so-and-so” won’t be there.

Peanut dust/fibers/residue will lie in wait for extended periods of time on carpet, van seats, and other surfaces beyond an individual youth event, so our peanut policy is universal beyond a particular event. These fibers are like deadly ninja assassins. Don’t even give them a chance to set up camp!



Unfortunately, the Government does not require foods to be labeled the above mentioned ways. If you have a food allergy and have any questions about a food being served at a youth event, either don’t eat it or call the company that manufactured the food to inquire about allergy information.