

Southern Lehigh School District
5775 Main Street
Center Valley, PA 18034

Food Allergy Assessment Form

Student's Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____
Grade: _____ Homeroom: _____

Dear Parent/Guardian:

You brought to our attention that your child is allergic to certain foods. In order to provide the best care for your child, please complete this form and return it to the school nurse as soon as possible.

If your child needs any medication such as Benadryl or an Epi-Pen, you must provide it along with a completed Medication in School Form (including your physician's signature and procedures to follow).

If there is any change in this information during the school year, please notify the school nurse in writing.

Thank you,

Nursing Department

Nurse

1. Foods that produce an allergic response (please be as specific as possible)

2. Must the food be eaten or has a reaction occurred in response to touching or smelling?

3. What reactions or symptoms have occurred in the past (please check all that apply)

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| _____ Hives | _____ Blue Lips or Skin |
| _____ Wheezing | _____ Generalized Itching |
| _____ Coughing | _____ Hives |
| _____ Breathing Difficulty | _____ Nausea |
| _____ Swelling of Lips or Tongue | _____ Vomiting |

Other (please describe) _____

4. Procedure to be followed in the event of an allergic response at school

**PLACE
PICTURE
HERE**

Name: _____ D.O.B.: _____

Allergy to: _____

Weight: _____ lbs. Asthma: Yes (higher risk for a severe reaction) No

NOTE: Do not depend on antihistamines or inhalers (bronchodilators) to treat a severe reaction. USE EPINEPHRINE.

Extremely reactive to the following allergens: _____

THEREFORE:

If checked, give epinephrine immediately if the allergen was **LIKELY** eaten, for **ANY** symptoms.

If checked, give epinephrine immediately if the allergen was **DEFINITELY** eaten, even if no symptoms are apparent.

**FOR ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:
SEVERE SYMPTOMS**



LUNG

Shortness of breath, wheezing, repetitive cough



HEART

Pale or bluish skin, faintness, weak pulse, dizziness



THROAT

Tight or hoarse throat, trouble breathing or swallowing



MOUTH

Significant swelling of the tongue or lips



SKIN

Many hives over body, widespread redness



GUT

Repetitive vomiting, severe diarrhea



OTHER

Feeling something bad is about to happen, anxiety, confusion

OR A COMBINATION of symptoms from different body areas.



1. **INJECT EPINEPHRINE IMMEDIATELY.**
2. **Call 911.** Tell emergency dispatcher the person is having anaphylaxis and may need epinephrine when emergency responders arrive.
 - Consider giving additional medications following epinephrine:
 - » Antihistamine
 - » Inhaler (bronchodilator) if wheezing
 - Lay the person flat, raise legs and keep warm. If breathing is difficult or they are vomiting, let them sit up or lie on their side.
 - If symptoms do not improve, or symptoms return, more doses of epinephrine can be given about 5 minutes or more after the last dose.
 - Alert emergency contacts.
 - Transport patient to ER, even if symptoms resolve. Patient should remain in ER for at least 4 hours because symptoms may return.

MILD SYMPTOMS



NOSE

Itchy or runny nose, sneezing



MOUTH

Itchy mouth



SKIN

A few hives, mild itch



GUT

Mild nausea or discomfort

FOR MILD SYMPTOMS FROM MORE THAN ONE SYSTEM AREA, GIVE EPINEPHRINE.

FOR MILD SYMPTOMS FROM A SINGLE SYSTEM AREA, FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS BELOW:

1. Antihistamines may be given, if ordered by a healthcare provider.
2. Stay with the person; alert emergency contacts.
3. Watch closely for changes. If symptoms worsen, give epinephrine.

MEDICATIONS/DOSES

Epinephrine Brand or Generic: _____

Epinephrine Dose: 0.15 mg IM 0.3 mg IM

Antihistamine Brand or Generic: _____

Antihistamine Dose: _____

Other (e.g., Inhaler-bronchodilator if wheezing): _____