

Procedures to Align with the RSD Local Wellness Program (EFA-AR, Revised/Reviewed: 1/13/16) Specific to Birthday and Holiday Celebrations

BIRTHDAYS:

We recognize that a student's birthday and/or other holidays can be big events in their young lives. To honor your child, while promoting healthy eating habits, we will give your student a birthday card and pencil and your child's teacher will announce his/her birthday in class.

If you want to make your child's day special, you can organize a non-edible gift(s) for the class with the teacher. Ideally, your child will bring his/her favorite book to read to the class. Erasers, a book for the class library, pencils, or other non-edible gifts will allow us to meet board policy and still make the day special.

HOLIDAYS AND PARTIES:

There will be parties and celebrations throughout the year. Your child's teacher will help organize those parties. For those parties, only food that meets the current Reynolds School Board Policy will be allowed. Your teacher will communicate those guidelines with you.

QUICK ANSWERS:

Can I bring food for my child's birthday celebration?

Not at this time. The district office is going to provide school buildings with guidelines for celebrating birthdays including food choices. After guidelines are provided, if you are interested in participating on a Troutdale Elementary Committee to discuss these guidelines and provide input on how birthdays are celebrated, please contact Principal Krankowski.

Can I eat lunch with my child for his/her birthday?

Yes, you are more than welcome to have lunch with your child.

If I want to bring a gift for the class on my child's birthday, what do I need to do?

You must coordinate with the teacher ahead of time, and the gift must follow Reynolds School Board Policy.

Does my child's birthday need to be honored?

No. If you prefer that your child's birthday not be honored, please let the principal know.

Can I bring candy to celebrate parties and holidays?

No