Birthdays

Birthday parties are **not** allowed at the school. If you would like to send a simple treat to your child's class on his/her birthday (e.g., cookies, cupcakes, or individual snacks) please leave them at the front office. The treat will be delivered to your child's classroom by a staff member. Your child's teacher will distribute the treat at an appropriate time during the day. <u>Please do not send anything more elaborate than what is listed above as it would be disruptive to the learning environment.</u>

Please note that in consultation with the Orange County Health Department and Orange County Public School District's Risk Management Department, we have revised the rules related to students or parents bringing food to school, especially in the classroom. District Policy states:

- 1. All foods given to students during normal school hours must come from an identifiable source and be presented in a sealed, original container with the manufacturer and **all ingredients** clearly identified. This OCPS policy establishes a responsible party for the preparation, handling, and transportation of food items.
- 2. Food prepared in homes may only be given by the parent/guardian to their own son, daughter or dependent and not shared with other students.