

# Good Shepherd Lutheran Church and School

99 Central Park Road, Plainview, NY 11803

✠ The Reverend Eric O. Olsen, Pastor ✠ Vanessa Bigam, Director of the School ✠

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## MEMORANDUM

**To: Good Shepherd Lutheran School Parents**

**From: Vanessa Bigam, Director**

**Date: July 2020**

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I am requesting your assistance in providing a “NUT FREE ZONE” within our school building. I am requesting that this apply to not only peanuts, but to all nuts. We have been made aware of the tremendous risks that children and adults who are allergic to nuts can face from even the smallest taste of peanut butter or a piece of nut. The consequences are life threatening in many cases and require immediate intervention with medication, hospitalization or even life support. Therefore, we are asking the following:

- Please do not allow your child to bring any food items into the school containing nuts. Please keep this in mind when planning and packing your child’s food for the day or when your child is bringing snacks for the entire class. No foods containing nuts or nut products should be brought to school under any circumstances.

Your understanding and support in helping us to provide a “NUT FREE ZONE” at the Good Shepherd Lutheran School is greatly appreciated. Please feel free to discuss your ideas and suggestions with us regarding this school policy. We value your input as we work together to ensure that each child is safe and happy every day.