

Birthday Celebrations

Please see below for a few reminders for celebrating birthdays at BPE.

- We are a peanut free campus – Please do not bring food of any kind with peanuts on campus. This is to prevent students from having severe allergic reactions.
- Please do not send juices, treat bags, balloons, etc., to campus. Please save these to celebrate at home.
- Cupcakes are the preferred birthday treat at BPE.
- Please see below the Fort Bend ISD/BPE Handbook information on birthday celebrations.

Birthday /Celebration Treats

In accordance with the Food and Nutrition Division, of the Texas Department of Agriculture which provides for the following:

Elementary schools will allow birthday treats. i.e., cupcakes and cookies, to be brought in and served on a student's birthday for the student's class only after the children have had an opportunity to consume a nutritious meal. Approval from the campus Principal must be obtained prior to bringing birthday treats. Any treats brought to the campus for student consumption will need to be store-bought with an ingredient label attached not prepared at home. Birthday and/or school celebrations will not occur in the cafeteria during meal serving time. Such events may only take place one hour before the start of lunch or one hour after the end of lunch. A campus may develop additional guidelines concerning birthday celebrations, such as the number of celebrations per month and certain times to celebrate so it does not interfere with daily instructional time. It is encouraged to follow the "Smart Snack" guidelines whenever possible to create a culture of health on school campuses (i.e., fruits, vegetables, seeds, nuts, yogurt, and water).

Please be aware that children in the school may have severe allergies to certain food products. Therefore, it is imperative to discuss this with the child's teacher prior to bringing any food in this circumstance. Occasionally, the school or a class may host certain functions or celebrations tied to the curriculum that will involve food. The school or teacher will notify students and parents of any known food allergies when soliciting potential volunteers for bringing food products. See [Food Allergies](#).