

Park Forest Preschool
Food Preparation and Meal Service Policy and Procedure
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During the COVID-19 pandemic, the health and safety of our students, parents, staff, and volunteers is our top priority. Park Forest Preschool will follow the CDC, American Academy of Pediatrics and PA Department of Education guidelines for best practices to decrease the spread of the virus.

Teachers and students will wash their hands before and after meals.

Room arrangement:

- Teachers, students, and volunteers will eat in the lunchroom, while ensuring the safety of children with food allergies.
- Tables will be placed 8-10 feet apart.
- Place settings and chairs will be socially distanced.
- Classes will not be mixed at tables.

Food service:

- Kitchen staff and volunteers will wear masks and gloves.
- Food will not be served family style. Food will be individually plated for each student, teacher, and volunteer by kitchen staff and kitchen volunteers.
- No food from students' homes will be served.
- No snacks are permitted in classrooms.

Cleanup after meal:

- Teachers and students will wash their hands at the end of the meal.
- Please refer to "COVID-19 Cleaning Procedures" for cleaning of dining and kitchen areas.

Food offered at any school event:

- No buffet or family-style meals may be offered.
- Food will be in prepackaged boxes or bags for each attendee.