

# Managing Food Allergies at School

## School Transportation Staff

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Food allergies are a growing concern for schools. School bus drivers and transportation staff can help keep students with food allergies safe while riding school buses.

On a typical bus of 25 students, at least one is likely to have food allergies. Food allergy reactions can be very serious and even cause death.

Managing food allergies in schools is best accomplished through a partnership among school administrators, teachers, school staff, families, and school nurses and other health care providers. Key actions that school bus drivers and other transportation staff can take to support safe transportation for students with food allergies include:

- Getting trained to know how to help manage food allergies on the school bus.
- Learning to recognize food allergy symptoms.
- Being prepared to respond to food allergy emergencies on the school bus, and
- Helping to support a safe, healthy school transportation environment.

The school community can work together to help students with food allergies be safe and supported at school. To learn more and to access CDC's food allergy guidelines and tool kit, go to [cdc.gov/HealthyYouth/FoodAllergies](http://cdc.gov/HealthyYouth/FoodAllergies).

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