

CHARLES STREET SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Guardians,

Beginning this school year 2017-2018 Charles Street School will be celebrating student's birthday with non-food alternatives. Students will **not** be allowed to celebrate their birthdays with food treats of any kind. Palmyra School District Regulation 5331, Management of Life-Threatening Allergies in Schools, encourages the use of non-food items for classroom events and activities as to avoid the potential exposure of food allergens. The following are alternative birthday activities and/or celebrations:

- Book donation to the CSS Library in honor of the student. A book plate will be attached to the book and will be on display for a month.
- Birthday "Shout Outs" during the morning announcements.
- Classroom teacher recognition of birthdays: pencils, crowns, special duties and etc.
- Birthday students can do the Flag salute on their birthday.

Please do not hesitate to contact my office to share ideas or non-food proposals to make your child's birthday special.

We will do our best to make this a special day for all of our students, without interfering with the academic integrity of the school day or risk exposing our students to allergens.

Sincerely

Mark L. Pease

Principal