

## **Walker Creek Ranch Peanut and Tree Nut Campus Policy**

Walker Creek Ranch (WCR) is aware of the increasing prevalence of severe food allergies, including peanut and tree nut allergies. Though we cannot guarantee a nut free facility, we have implemented the following preventative measures in order to minimize the risk to our guests with severe food allergies:

- WCR does not serve any peanut or tree nut products from our kitchen.
  - **If a specific request for peanuts or tree nuts is made (for a Conference Event) that request will be evaluated on a case by case basis.**
  - **Certain menu items may be produced in a factory that processes tree nuts. Ingredient information is available upon request.**
- WCR informs our Naturalist and Food Service staff of students who have severe food allergies.
- WCR has a written emergency action plan in place for managing an anaphylactic reaction
- During Outdoor Ed. Programs, students with food allergies or dietary restrictions/preferences are trained on arrival day as to WCR's procedures for distribution of alternative meals.
- During Conference events, an orientation is conducted and the group is given information on WCR's procedures for distribution of alternative meals for participants with dietary restrictions
- During Outdoor Ed. Programs, WCR requests that parents/guardians consider alternatives to student's lunches on arrival day that do not include peanut or tree nut products.

The health and well-being of all guests is the top priority of Walker Creek Ranch staff. To assist in this effort, please remind your child/participant of what to do if they suspect they are having a reaction and review with them all the signs and symptoms of anaphylaxis. It is also requested the school/group monitor any and all persons with dietary needs or allergies (if a child has a severe allergy and requires an EpiPen, the group or school is recommended to provide a trained adult to oversee their diet and medical care).

Finally, the food services staff makes every effort to accommodate special dietary needs. Guests are welcome to bring/ send food items to supplement their menu while they are at Walker Creek Ranch. Please contact the Food Service Manager at 415-491-6600 before the start of the program to discuss any dietary concerns your participants may have.