

September 2018
Margaret Black Elementary
Birthday Treats/Classroom Holiday Parties

We understand that birthdays are very important to our students! Due to an increasing amount of food sensitivities, the high incidence of allergies, and dietary concerns in our classrooms, we will **no longer** have cakes, cookies, cupcakes, or any other edible treats in the school for birthday celebrations.

We will continue to celebrate your child's birthday by singing to them and recognizing their special day. You are welcome to send in treats that do not involve food. Here are some ideas for Birthday Treats:

Suggested Choices:

Classroom book, pencils, erasers, stickers, playground ball, hula hoop,
Classroom game, playground chalk, jump rope

**Students will be permitted to pass out birthday party invitations if they have enough for all students in the classroom. Otherwise, invitations should be mailed or delivered outside the school day.

Classroom Holiday Parties will be organized by your child's classroom teacher. Teachers will facilitate treats on their own. **Please email or call your child's teacher about parties.**

All teachers have been asked to follow these guidelines.

We truly appreciate your cooperation!

Maggie B. Families and Staff

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**