

## **Arlington Heights School District 25**

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Dear Parent(s),

We are excited to get started with a new year and a new group of science students. There will be times when the experiments we do will involve using food products. The food products may include lard, vegetable shortening, vegetable oil, olive oil, and butter. Vanilla extract, Kool-aid, food dye, sugar, salt, vinegar, baking soda, and Alka- Seltzer will also be used. Students WILL NOT eat during the science labs. Any food used will be a part of the experiment. Students may touch the food products.

There are also labs that have the students using borax, soap. Some labs do call for rubber bands and balloons. To avoid using latex, those labs will be done with latex free rubber bands. Nitrile gloves will be substituted for balloons. If you have any concerns about any of this, please contact your child's science teacher.

Sincerely,

Jay Bingaman Karen Wong



