# **Snack Suggestions**

According to state regulations, children must be provided a healthy, nutritious snack which consists of two of the following food groups:

- 1% Milk or 100% Fruit Juice
- Fruit
- Vegetable
- Meat/Meat Alternative

• Bread/Grain - "whole or enriched grain" must be 1st ingredient listed on product label. A "whole wheat flour" product is acceptable but "wheat flour" products are not.

Cakes, cookies, doughnuts, or candy will not be permitted unless there is a special occasion such as a birthday celebration or holiday party. All beverages provided must be 1% milk or 100% fruit juice. In the event an inappropriate snack is sent to school, it will be sent back home and a preschool snack will be substituted. Health and Licensing laws require that all snacks come from a bakery or store. All snacks must be sent to preschool in unopened boxes/packages or individually wrapped. <u>Snacks may not contain peanuts or tree nuts.</u>

We encourage parents to allow your children to assist you in choosing nutritious snacks to bring to preschool during their "snack week." This provides a wonderful opportunity to teach your children the importance of choosing and eating healthy, nutritious foods.

### **Dairy Products**

Cheese and "whole or enriched grain" crackers String Cheese Pudding Yogurt (23g of sugar or less per 6oz serving)

### <u>Fruits</u>

Applesauce Pre-packaged Apple Slices Bananas "Cutie" Oranges Raisins

## Vegetables with Dip

Carrots with dip

### "Whole or Enriched Grain" Snacks

(First ingredient on box product label **must be** "whole or enriched grain".) Fish Crackers Graham Crackers Muffins Nutri-grain Bars Popcorn (4 year olds only) Pretzels (4 year olds only) Teddy Grahams Veggie Straws or Chips