Do not prepare or serve food when ill or recently ill (within 48 hours) with vomiting or diarrhea.

Before preparing any foods, wash hands thoroughly with soap and running water and dry with a paper towel. Repeat handwashing after using the bathroom, eating, smoking, using your cell phone, caring for pets, or handling raw eggs.

Limit the bake sale menu to items which do not require refrigeration after preparation – no cream or custard filled pastries or pies, cheesecakes, puddings, whipped cream, cream cheese.

Use only ingredients which are free of spoilage and come from licensed food establishments, like a grocery store or bakery. Home canned foods are not allowed.

Keep eggs and dairy ingredients refrigerated until use.

Clean and sanitize food preparation surfaces, utensils and equipment before beginning work.

Cover baked goods with plastic wrap, lids, or foil to protect them from sneezes, coughs and handling by customers. Keep donut boxes closed between serving customers. Whenever possible, wrap baked goods in individual servings for sale to the public. Use a napkin, or utensil to serve items that are not individually wrapped. Self service of unwrapped/unpackaged items is not allowed.

Wash your hands before starting the sale and after doing anything that could contaminate them, such as coughing, sneezing, eating, or using your cell phone.

The bake sale organizer should keep a list of bakers and the items they donated in case there is a need for follow up.

Donors are encouraged to identify/label products that contain any major allergen: peanuts/peanut butter, eggs, wheat, soybeans, milk and milk products and tree nuts (e.g. almonds, pecans, walnuts, cashews).

All food and paper goods, even items in boxes or bags, must be stored off of the ground.

If you have any questions or would like more information please contact Environmental Health and Safety.

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