

# Help with Food Purchasing Restrictions at Kroger, Walmart and Sam's Club For Local Childcare Providers

Childcare providers have reported challenges in purchasing food and supplies from some of our local retailers due to purchasing restrictions. We can help!!

## KROGER STORES

1. Email Jane Glasgow with Minus 9 to 5 at [GLASGOJE@evms.edu](mailto:GLASGOJE@evms.edu) with the following information:
  - a. Center name and address
  - b. Director's name and phone number
  - c. Address of the Kroger Store you are most likely to shop in
2. Jane will email you a letter from Kroger Regional Management to authorize exemptions for the restrictions
3. Present the letter along with State issued letter regarding your essential business status and a business card or copy of center license when checking out of store.

## Walmart and Sam's Club

1. Print the Walmart/Sam's Club Exemption Letter from this link on the Minus9to5.org website:
  - a. [Walmart/Sam's Exemption Request Letter](#)
  - b. [State Letter on Essential Business Status](#)
2. Provide both letters to the store manager and coordinate your buying needs directly.
3. **Please note:** In certain circumstances, the store manager may not be able to lift purchasing restrictions due to current inventory and community needs.

**If you are shopping at any of the Walmart stores in Hampton, Gloucester, Newport News, Norfolk, Williamsburg, Yorktown, Portsmouth or the Chesapeake Square Ring Road in Chesapeake store:**

- a. Locate the name and email of the store manager with this [Walmart Directory link](#).
- b. Before going to the store, email the store manager and copy [craig.kelly@walmart.com](mailto:craig.kelly@walmart.com) telling them you will be shopping at the store and an approximate time.