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To: Parents and Guardians

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Subject: Food Allergy

Food allergies are a very serious issue for children and their families. The USDA Child Nutrition Program recognizes the importance of following the medical directives for food allergies.

Meal modifications are implemented based upon medical assessment and treatment planning and must be ordered by a recognized medical authority. Schools cannot make food substitutions or alter the student's diet without proper documentation from the healthcare provider.

An annual medical script is required for each child describing their allergy and diet recommendations. A recognized licensed physician, physician assistant or nurse practitioner's signature is required on this document. (This documentation is required each year.)

SUBMIT THIS MEDICAL DOCUMENTATION to your child's school administrator, nurse, or food service staff the first week of school, or throughout the school year when changes may occur. If you have any questions, please contact the Child Nutrition Services at 816-3688. We want to work with you to ensure your child is safe and has a mealtime plan that everyone will be happy with.

Cc: School Administrator
Nurse
Food Service Staff