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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Food allergies can be life-threatening. There is a possibility that one or more students in your child's class might have a severe food allergy to peanuts, all tree nuts (cashews, pecans, walnuts and pistachios), sesame seeds, eggs or milk. We are distributing this letter to all parents to help you understand this situation and to foster a safe and worry-free year for all students and their parents.

One or more students in your child's class may need access to an EpiPen at all times. We need your help in maintaining an allergy aware environment in the classroom. Some allergies can be triggered not only by direct eating or coming into contact with the items listed above, but also by exposure to foods that contain any peanut/nut traces, oils, flours, or food that is processed in a plant with peanuts, nuts, and/or sesame seeds. Also, many bakeries use nut products, flavorings, or oils in their facilities or products. If you are sending in any classroom treats, please notify the teacher in advance for specific allergens.

We want you and your child to understand that some allergies can be triggered by ingesting or exposure to very small amounts of the above mentioned allergens. We realize that helping us maintain an allergy aware classroom takes a certain amount of effort and diligence on your part, and we thank you in advance for your cooperation in helping us maintain a safe, healthy environment for all of our students. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me, or Mrs. Mellor, our school nurse.

Sincerely,

Corinne Seeh Principal