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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Re: Severe Allergies and Anaphylaxis

Several students at our school have severe allergies to shellfish and other allergens. In some cases, the condition is so severe as to be life-threatening if the child is exposed to the food or product. A reaction requires the immediate administration of an epi-pen needle as well as a call to 911 for emergency medical intervention. School staff are fully trained to deal with such emergencies and are working in close cooperation with affected families to safeguard their children's well-being.

Because a student in Ms. Ackles- Dold's class has a severe allergy to products which contain: **shellfish** .We are respectfully requesting the following:

- **Do not send food products to school that contain any shellfish.**
- **Please ensure that your child washes hands before coming to school.**
- **Please remind your child not to share food with classmates and to wash hands before and after eating lunch or snacks.**
- **Remember to check ingredients carefully.**

It is important to all of us that our children develop healthy attitudes towards food and that we respect the special health concerns of our students. Your child's teacher has been having conversations in class about how to keep everyone safe. We sincerely appreciate your support and understanding in this situation. If you have any questions, please contact us.

As always please remember do not send peanuts, nut by products or any nuts with your children to school.

Sincerely,

Wendy Thompson
Principal

Candice Schlosser
Vice-Principal