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Dear Seventh Grade Families,

Food allergies are a growing concern in schools across America. Millions of children - children who are perfectly healthy in every other way - must watch every single bite they eat, or risk suffering a severe or even life-threatening reaction. We have a number of such students in Dexter Community Schools.

A major health issue such as this one needs to be taken very seriously, and it has always been the policy of Mill Creek to make the safety and well being of our students our top priority. Because at least one student in your child's class has a serious food allergy, we are putting the following safety guidelines into effect:

*Please ask your child to remember to wash his or her hands after lunch if he or she eats a peanut, tree nut, wheat or oat product during lunch. We will also remind them here at school.

***We are asking that students in the class not bring peanuts, tree nuts or any nut products** to the classroom for snack or party treats. Please remember this if you are making treats for the classroom or sending in something special to share with the class.

This is a learning process for all of us, but we trust that you understand how deeply important it is to respect and adhere to these guidelines. If throughout the course of the year you have any questions or concerns about food allergy related issues, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Wishing you and your family a safe and healthy school year.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Darnton, Marianne Mutschler, Laura Saullés, Macy Selecman, Teachers
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