WILSON CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Families,

As you may know, Wilson Creek School is NUT AWARE. You've all read the headlines and seen the news stories – food allergies are a growing concern in schools across America. Millions of children, children who are perfectly healthy and normal in every other way, must watch every single bite they eat, or risk suffering a severe or even life threatening reaction. In fact, food allergies claim over 200 lives and are responsible for over 30,000 emergency room visits each year. A major health issue such as this one needs to be taken very seriously, and it has always been the policy of this school to make the safety and well-being of our students our top priority.

Due to this concern, we would encourage students and families to refrain from bringing Nut Products onto the school campus or on school buses. Though we cannot guarantee an allergen-free school, we want to decrease the risk of exposure. If you do decide to bring Nut products to school, please be aware of the life-threatening nature of exposure for some students. We are asking you to partner with us to help keep our students safe.

Common examples of NUT products are: peanuts, peanut butter, Nutella, almonds, pecans, hazelnuts, cashews, walnuts, Trail Mix, granola bars, cereals, and candy bars. *Please note, this is not an exhaustive list and many other food items contain nut products.

This is a learning process for all of us. 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. Thank you for helping keep our students safe and healthy!

Sincerely,

Laura Christian Superintendent Sally Nelson Principal Sarah Kruger, RN Wilson Creek School Nurse

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