



# City of Milford, Connecticut

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## Health Department

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Certain food and latex allergies can be potentially life threatening. Several children in our school have these serious allergies. Any contact with the offending food or latex item can cause a severe reaction in these students.

The following foods contribute to 90% of the food allergies found in children: nuts, peanuts, milk, eggs, fish, shellfish, wheat and soy.

Latex is not normally a food item, however it can be found in chewing gum. Latex can be in many common children's products including balloons, erasers, balls, paint, markers, glue and plastic bags.


*We urge you to send food to school only for your child. It should not be shared.*

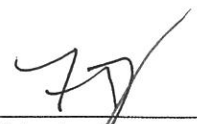
We also advise parents to speak with your child about not sharing food items at school. Sharing foods is not a healthy practice in any case.

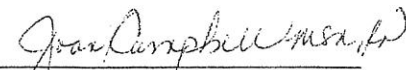
*In regard to items that may contain latex, do not send these items to be shared by other students.*

For any questions about this policy, please call or see the School Nurse.

By working together to carefully plan school related activities, we can continue to have a safe environment for all. Thank you for your cooperation. Please contact us with any questions.

  
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