ST. BERNARD PARISH SCHOOL BOARD 200 East St. Bernard Parish Hwy Chalmette LA 70043

School Nurse Program

Dear Parent/Guardian:

To comply with the recent state legislation of ACT 624; to enact R.S. 17:436.1 (K), it is the policy of the St. Bernard Parish School Board to follow the guidelines developed for students in the District with an identified severe allergy to food, insect stings, latex. And /or unknown allergens, in addition to those who may have not yet had an identified allergy or condition which puts them at risk to experience an unexpected event, that are at a potential risk for a life-threatening reaction (anaphylaxis).

Guidelines include:

- 1. Education and training for school personnel on the management of students with lifethreatening severe allergies, including training related to the administration of medication with a cartridge injector.
- 2. Procedures for responding to life-threatening allergic reactions.
- 3. A process for the development of individualized health care and allergy/anaphylaxis emergency action plans for every student with an identified allergy.
- 4. Protocols to prevent exposure to food allergens or precautions to avoid exposure to other allergens.

Therefore, the School Nurse must be notified of all your child's previously known and/or any newly discovered allergens. Each school year, please continue to indicate this on your child's Student Health History Form and plan to meet with the School Nurse to discuss further. All future notifications will be included in the St. Bernard Parish School Board student handbook and website.