



## STAFFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

As you may be aware, Public Act 14-176 is designed to protect all students with a potential life-threatening allergy. The purpose is to provide emergency first aid to a student who experiences an allergic reaction even if the student does not have a prior written authorization for the administration of epinephrine. This Act allows trained staff, in the absence of the School Nurse, to administer epinephrine (Epi-Pen) to a student with an undiagnosed allergy who presents with signs and symptoms of a severe allergic reaction.

Under the revised law, a student's parent or guardian may submit a written directive to the school nurse to prohibit the administration of epinephrine to their child. If you would **not** like your child to be administered epinephrine (Epi-Pen) in the event that they present with an undiagnosed allergy, please send a note into the school nurse.

If you have any questions, please contact your child's school nurse or contact me directly by e-mail at [piscetelj@stafford.k12.ct.us](mailto:piscetelj@stafford.k12.ct.us) or phone at 860-684-4212.

Sincerely,

Jolene Piscetello

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