WEST WINDSOR-PLAINSBORO REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are aware that a number of WW-P students come to school with allergies – some minor and some severe. We continue to work with individual schools and teachers to keep everyone informed of such conditions, which in some instances can be serious and life-threatening.

Our mission is to provide a safe school environment for all students, and to help accomplish this goal, we have had to revise some of our procedures. One of those changes involved celebrations at schools, including birthday celebrations. The West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional School District does not allow birthday celebrations to include food items. Prepared foods and home-cooked foods may provide ingredients that could be indirectly or directly harmful to some children and adults.

Yet, birthday celebrations are a special time, especially for our elementary students. I hope you will work with your child's teacher to find an appropriate way to celebrate your child's birthday without food items. Please consider other alternatives, which could include stickers, pencils, crayons, or other items that can be safely shared between and among students.

I appreciate your understanding of this continuing procedure, and wish your child a successful school year.

Sincerely,

David Aderhold, EdD
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