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GARDEN CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

The Primary Schools at Hemlock, Homestead and Locust
The Elementary Schools at Stewart and Stratford

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

We hope you have had a wonderful summer and are looking forward to the upcoming school year!

The health and safety of our students is of paramount importance to us, and we ask for your cooperation and careful attention to the following matter:

All primary and elementary schools have been designated as **food sensitive** by the joint Primary/Elementary Site Based Committee. Therefore, **all peanut and nut related products are prohibited at school**. Alternate foods should be chosen for snacks in the classroom and lunchroom. A reaction triggered by *an* allergen can be life threatening for some children. Please be aware that peanuts/nuts are **not** the only foods that can cause an allergic reaction in certain students.

Our guidelines are as follows:

- No peanut or nut products for classroom snacks or lunch
- Nutella is not permitted in school.
- Students are not permitted to share food.
- Students with allergies may only eat foods provided from their own home.
- Students are instructed to wash hands before and after meals.

Thank you for your cooperation with this most important matter. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns.

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