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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope the 2017-2018 school year is off to a great start for you and your children. It has been nice to get around to all of the schools and see the wonderful things all of our students, teachers, and staff have going on in the classrooms.

As you might be aware, there have been changes in legislation for the administration of the Epi-Pen. 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 an 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 such student. If you chose to do so, please contact your school nurse. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me directly by e-mail at piscetelj@stafford.k12.ct.us or phone at 860-684-4212.

Sincerely,

Jolene Piscetello

Director of Pupil Services