

**STUDENTS WITH LIFE-THREATENING ALLERGIES EXEMPTION LETTER**

Dear Parent/Guardian:

As you are aware, the Agawam Public Schools has adopted a policy regarding life threatening allergies. This policy is designed to minimize the risk of exposure to common allergens that pose a threat to students with life-threatening allergies such as foods, medications, latex, and stinging insects. Consequently, a peanut/tree nut-free section of tables has been designated in all PreK-6 schools. At the secondary level, accommodations will be made, upon request, for those students with severe allergies.

Said policy contains provisions, which pertain to seating in the cafeteria. It is my understanding that you wish to exempt your child from the provisions in the policy **pertaining to seating in the cafeteria.**

I am willing to grant the exemption provided you sign a copy of this letter (below), and return said signed letter to my office.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this matter further, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

\_\_\_\_\_  
Principal

c: School nurse

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I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby acknowledge receipt of this letter. I understand the risks associated with exempting my child from the provisions of the Agawam Public Schools' policy regarding cafeteria seating of students with life threatening allergies. I hereby agree to forever release, indemnify, and hold harmless the Agawam Public Schools, its School Committee, and all of its employees and agents from any and all claims, rights of actions, and causes of action that may have arisen in the past, or may arise in the future, directly or indirectly, from personal injuries to my child resulting from my voluntary decision to exempt my child from the cafeteria seating provisions of the Agawam Public Schools' Life Threatening Allergies Policy.

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date

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Approved by the School Committee on April 10, 2012, by a vote of 6 – 0 – 1 absent.