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School Year 2016-2017

## Dear Parent/Guardian:

ACCEPT recognizes the importance of providing a wide variety of experiences to our students to help build life skills and maximize their potential. Some of these experiences, such as holiday meals, birthday celebrations, and special events during MCAS week involve food items that are shared with students. We believe that these events provide for important community building within our program as well as opportunities for students to practice skills necessary to be active participants in their home and other social situations.

ACCEPT also recognizes that parents may have concerns about their child consuming food items when at school and are supportive of parent decisions for students to opt out of eating foods not brought from home or purchased at the school cafeteria. If you do not want your child to eat food provided by ACCEPT staff, please follow the link provided below to indicate this preference. Please note that the opt out is only an option for students without known life threatening food allergies. For those students with life threatening food allergies, different protocol and procedure is in place per the Collaborative's Management of Life Threatening Allergies Policy.

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Sincerely,

Nancy Hopkins, RN Nurse Leader