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Dear parent/guardian of _____:

Your student has been identified as someone with a nut allergy or a history of a nut allergy.

I am contacting you because recently Kellogg's, the parent company of Keebler and Austin snack crackers, announced they will be adding peanut flour to the ingredients of some commonly eaten non-peanut butter snack crackers.

The following text was copied from the Kellogg's press release:

"The Kellogg Company would like you to know that starting in April, 2016; Austin will be changing the allergen statement on four flavors of sandwich crackers under the Austin® label. The flavors, Austin® Cheddar Cheese Cracker Sandwiches, Austin® Grilled Cheese Cracker Sandwiches, Austin® Pepper Jack Cracker Sandwiches and the Austin® Variety Pack Cracker Sandwiches will contain Wheat, Milk, Soy, and Peanut ingredients. The products will contain a new ingredient, peanut flour."

"The Kellogg Company would like you to know that starting in April, 2016; Keebler will be changing the allergen statement on four flavors of sandwich crackers under the Keebler® label. The flavors, Keebler® Club® & Cheddar Sandwich Crackers, Keebler® Cheese & Cheddar Sandwich Crackers, Keebler® Pepper Jack Sandwich Crackers and the Keebler® Variety Pack Sandwich Crackers will contain Wheat, Milk, Soy, and Peanut ingredients. The products will contain a new ingredient, peanut flour."

This is a good time to point out that companies often change ingredients in their products without notice to the general public. It is good practice for you and your student to review food ingredient lists/warnings on a regular basis, even for products your student has eaten many times without incident.

I have included photos of the packaging of the Keebler/Austin snack crackers affected by this change.

This letter is purely informational. You do not need to do anything other than inform your student and anyone else you know with a nut allergy of this significant ingredient change to these commonly eaten products.

Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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