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Parents and Families of Grainger County Students,

NETCO, a food service cooperative serving 14 school districts in Northeast Tennessee, was alerted by Gordon Food Service that Hom/Ade Foods had issued a voluntary recall on Mary B's brand frozen biscuits, recently manufactured by Flowers Foods, due to the possibility of Listeria contamination. Upon receiving notice of the recall, Grainger County Schools' nutrition department immediately pulled and discarded all related products. Our supplier has since replaced the Mary B's Brand with Pillsbury Brand Biscuits.

According to a recent NBC news report, "over a dozen Mary B's frozen bagged biscuit products were recalled voluntarily by Hom/Ade Foods... No illnesses connected to the product have been reported." As we currently understand it, these "products were sold in stores after being distributed to the following (23) states: Alabama, Arkansas, California, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Missouri, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Wisconsin and West Virginia."

Hom/Ade Foods is working with the FDA and suppliers to address the problem. Hom/Ade's website states, "Customers or consumers with questions may call Hom/Ade Foods Inc. at 1-855-562-7773, Monday to Friday, between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Central Time." More information about the recall may also be found at www.homadefoods.com. If parents or community members have questions, we suggest contacting Hom/Ade directly, but the school system will continue to update if any new information becomes available.

Sincerely,



Edwin Jarnagin
Director
Grainger County Schools

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