## **Bates Dining Allergen Statement**

Bates Dining uses wholesome ingredients in our food preparation. Among these are some that are common allergens for a percentage of the population. We make every effort to identify these allergens and have put into place a labeling system that appears below.

Please note that manufacturers may change the formulation of foods without our knowledge. Additionally, because food is prepared in a commercial kitchen and presented in a self-service environment, there is a possibility of cross-contact with allergens. Customers concerned about food ingredients should be aware of these risks and be proactive about their food choices. It is ultimately the responsibility of the customer to decide whether or not to eat certain foods. Bates College will not assume any liability for adverse reactions of foods consumed or items one may come into contact with while eating at a Bates Dining establishment.

If you have food related allergy concerns it is in your best interest, and we strongly encourage you to make an appointment with Cheryl Lacey, Director of Dining to discuss your needs (clacey@bates.edu.) It is also recommended that you speak with a manager or supervisor about any items you might have questions.

The item contains nuts – we do not differentiate between types of nuts but do **NUTS** not classify coconut in this category (see below) The item contains dairy products **DAIRY EGG** The item contains eggs **PORK** The item contains pork **FISH** The item contains fish SHELLFISH The item contains shellfish – we do not differentiate between types of shellfish VEGAN The item is vegan – contains no animal products, including honey COCONUT The item contains coconut The item is gluten free, however, we are a flour rich environment and, though **GLUTEN** FRIENDLY we have taken every precaution, cross contamination may occur SOY The item contains soy

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