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Dear Parents/Guardians,

As you may know, the Crandon School District contracts with Taher Food Service for the food service in our schools. On Friday, September 20, 2024, the Taher Food Service Lead Cook, Dawn Novack, passed away. Although Mrs. Novack is a Taher employee, she certainly made a positive impact on the staff and students of the Crandon School District for the last several years and has been a valuable member of our team. Our entire community will sincerely miss Dawn.

Many of our students know and see Mrs. Novack each day during lunchtime. We know that students will begin to question and wonder where Mrs. Novack is. We will not be sharing this information with our 4K through 5th grade students. We feel it is appropriate for you to have that conversation privately with your child(ren) at home if you choose to.

Mr. Jaeger, our Middle/High School Principal, will inform our 6-12 grade students of Mrs. Novack's passing. Our middle and high school students know Mrs. Novack and some have begun to ask questions about her absence. We are dedicated and committed to helping *all students and staff* during this difficult time. As we share this news, our staff, counselors, and entire staff will be here to help and support all students.

If you feel that your child(ren) needs any additional support during the upcoming days, please don't hesitate to reach out to us. We are all here to help and support in any way that we can.

Respectfully,

Kirby Schultz

Kirby Schultz, Interim District Administrator Crandon School District