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Dear Student and Parent/Guardian,

Welcome to the Baking and Pastry Arts Program at the Lancaster County Career & Technology Center (CTC), Mount Joy Campus. Baking and Pastry Arts is a rewarding profession. The baking students will be exposed to various career-focused experiences throughout the year. The goal for the entire class is to provide technical training and prepare each student for securing and maintaining a professional position in the baking and pastry industry. Our program is accredited by the American Culinary Federation (ACF), and students may receive post-secondary credits upon successfully completing the program. I hope you will take full advantage of all the educational opportunities available.

A dress code and lab policies are enforced to adhere to the Pennsylvania Food Code and maintain a safe and productive environment. Acrylic nails, nail polish, false eyelashes, jewelry, and tongue rings are prohibited. All students will discuss and practice additional safety rules. If students do not comply with program guidelines, they cannot participate in regular lab activities. After Labor Day break, students will be instructed in safe food handling utilizing the ServSafe program and will have the opportunity to receive their ServSafe certification. The CTC will provide all books, including the ServSafe book, with one exam.

As part of the training process, we work on developing employability skills and professionalism, including proper industry attire. Each student will arrive for class in a clean uniform daily. Beginning the second day of school, students must be in full uniform. The uniform package must be purchased through Fully Promoted, 155 Rohrerstown Rd., Lancaster. Uniforms will be embroidered with the student's name, school logo, and ACF logo. Please see the attached information for uniform pricing and the ordering process. **Uniforms must be ordered before July 1st to ensure** they are ready for the start of the school year. When ordering, all uniforms must be paid in full by cash, check, money order or credit card to Fully Promoted. Uniforms are delivered to the CTC and distributed on the first day of school. Students may wear school-appropriate street clothes on the first day of school.

If you have any questions or concerns, please email me. I will happily answer any questions via email or phone upon request. I will check my email periodically throughout the summer.

I look forward to having you in class and hope you enjoy your summer.

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