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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s) and Staff:

Each year, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) requires notification to parents, teachers, and other school employees of the response actions taken to safely maintain the asbestos containing materials (ACM) in our school. As you may know, "asbestos" is a generic term for six naturally occurring fibrous minerals, which have been widely used in construction and friction materials because of their excellent insulative and resilient qualities.

When ACM begins to deteriorate, it becomes friable, a condition in which individual asbestos fibers can be released into the air, be breathed in by people, and potentially increase the risks to human health. Although all epidemiological evidence suggests that only heavy, occupational exposures to asbestos fibers over long periods of time (20+ years) lead to health effects, the EPA and The Wanaque School District are committed to eliminating asbestos fiber exposures within school buildings. To accomplish this, we've engaged the services of an environmental consulting firm.

New Wave Consultants, Inc., is a certified environmental consultant company, who performed a six-month periodic surveillance inspection on August 11, 2017, as per AHERA regulations. A Three-Year State Re-Inspection was performed in March of 2016. Copies of all semi-annual inspection reports are filed in the school's Asbestos Management Plan, located in the Main Office, which you are welcome to review any time during normal business hours.

Sincerely,



William Mullanaphy
Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds