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SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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Dear Parents of Students at Mill Pond Elementary School:

The purpose of this letter is to provide you with a final update regarding the presence of mercury in the Mill Pond School gymnasium floor. As per my previous communications from October and November 2018, the presence of mercury was confirmed by air sampling tests that were performed within the gymnasium and by a sample that was taken from the floor's surface. Since then, we have met with the district's consultants, AHERA Consultants Incorporated ("AHERA") as well as the District's architect of record, Fraytak, Veisz, Hopkins, Duthie, P.C.. We have also reviewed, presented, and made recommendations to the Board of Education regarding our options. As such, we have decided that during the upcoming summer months, the Mill Pond gymnasium floor will be removed, remediated, and replaced with a new floor. At the January 22, 2019 Board Meeting, the Board took action to authorize funding for the project, as well as the submission of the project to the New Jersey Department of Education. It is anticipated that the project will be completed in time for the opening of school in September 2019. Until then the gymnasium will remain closed for the remainder of this school year.

Should you have any questions or concerns, I would like to invite you to an information session that will be facilitated by AHERA on **Tuesday, January 29, 2019 at 6:00 pm** in the **Mill Pond School Cafeteria**.

Thank you for your continued cooperation, patience, and understanding. As always, if you have questions or concerns prior to the information session, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Vanessa P. Clark, Ph.D.
Superintendent of Schools