FAIRFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS



September 14, 2012

Dear Osborn Hill Community:

We are writing to keep you informed about the latest developments in our efforts to return the school building to full utilization for this year. We are continuing our remediation and cleaning efforts and are also making plans for alternate resources if these efforts take longer than expected.

Over the past week we brought in an outside cleaning company to conduct specialized cleaning in rooms 107 and 108, and the kindergarten rooms. We did follow-up testing this week and expect results soon. Once we receive clearance that these rooms are below EPA-recommended levels, we will return the kindergartens to their regular classrooms.

We are conducting additional testing in the Library Media Center to determine the next course of action there. Additional cleaning, remediation and re-testing will need to occur in that space. We anticipate that these actions will keep the Library Media Center out of service for at least another month. To compensate, we have removed a significant number of books from the library, had them cleaned and tested and they are now ready for use as we begin to conduct our library classes in students' classrooms. Please be assured that library books that have not been cleaned and tested will not be used.

We have ordered the temporary gymnasium to be constructed on the site. We expect it to be available by mid to late October, just in time for the cooler weather.

To compensate for the computer lab being out of service, we are ordering a mobile computer lab to take its place. We expect to have this ready in about 3 weeks. This will be a full class set of laptops with all the functionality of the existing computer lab – but it will be brought into the classrooms. This will enable students to have access to all of the technology services and lessons previously available in the existing lab.

As we know more, we will continue to keep in touch. We are continuing our efforts to restore the school to full usage and appreciate your patience as we work through this process.

Sincerely,

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