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Dear Parents, Guardians, Faculty, and Staff:

As you are aware, the safety and well being of our faculty, staff, and students is our top priority. In an effort to be transparent, and keep our stakeholders informed, I am writing to notify you that while performing a renovation to our Sussex Middle School Basketball Court, contractors have discovered an isolated area of pipe that is wrapped with asbestos insulation. The pipe and insulation are isolated to one small portion of our gymnasium and buried in concrete.

Upon receiving this information, we have closed access to the building, secured a licensed abatement company, been granted permits from State and local officials, and secured an independent air quality monitoring company to oversee the abatement process. We anticipate that the abatement procedures will be occurring over the next day or two with air quality samples to be analyzed during and after the process. I will continue to keep you informed as to the status of this abatement and our air quality report. I sincerely appreciate your patience and cooperation.

Respectfully,

Michael Gall Superintendent

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