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Dear Chipperfield Elementary School Community:

7 December 2018

I am very pleased to inform you that air quality tests conducted over the last few weeks at Chipperfield Elementary School are completely clear and normal. We are moving forward with a plan to bid for overhead de-humidification units to be installed later in the spring in the school. This is part of our long-term solution to the moisture issues that we discovered over the summer.

We appreciate the patience and support of our parents and staff as we have worked through this issue. We appreciate the hard work of our custodial and maintenance staff who have been diligently cleaning the school and staying on top of any areas that gather moisture.

When mold was first discovered at Chipperfield Elementary over the summer, we hired nationally recognized Belfor, a remediation company that deals with schools and other large institutions and companies nationwide. They worked alongside our own maintenance and custodial staff and coordinated another nationally-recognized air quality testing company called ISource. Both organizations gave us the "all clear" to allow students and staff back in the building.

Since the start of school, we have:

- Reviewed and modified cleaning procedures for the school's air handling units and scheduled regular cleanings
- Reviewed and modified cleaning procedures for our carpets to ensure the carpets dry as quickly as possible.
- Reviewed and evaluated our HVAC system design, operation, and maintenance to provide options for indoor humidity control and to prevent condensation.
- Repeated air quality tests to ensure continual safety.

The health and safety of our students and staff is our priority. We will continue to work to ensure that our school remains free of mold and to communicate about our improvements.

Thank you for your support for our school.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cosmas C. Curry".

Cosmas C. Curry, Ed.D.
Superintendent