

# WEBUTUCK CENTRAL SCHOOLS

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Dear Webutuck Families,

The purpose of this document is to give you an update on the progress and status of the cleanup efforts being conducted at Webutuck Elementary School.

On Thursday, September 20, the response action by our engaged clean up contractor commenced. The next day, once students and staff had left for the day, our contractor began the cleanup process. The entire school has been placed under HEPA filtration, and the entire school has been cleaned stem to stern. I have directed our third-party industrial hygiene company to conduct clearance testing and inspection which will take place on Sunday, September 23 at 9 PM. There will be supplementary inspection at 5:30 am in the morning on September 24. The inspection on the 24<sup>th</sup> will include air sampling.

This unexpected and unpredictable environmental event of possible mold or conditions that may lead to mold has been tested, remediated and re-tested. On Friday, September 21, I was a participant in a county-wide roundtable discussion with superintendents, architects, environmental professionals, and other interested parties to design an action plan and response action to prevent this sort of thing from happening in the future to the extent possible. I look forward to sharing that plan with you over the coming months.

In the meantime, please be assured that we have taken this environmental concern very seriously. We have hired a third-party inspector and engaged third-party contractors.

Anything worth doing is worth doing right. We are being very thorough and not cutting any corners in our response.

I look forward to sharing the clearance results from the elementary school when they become available. We expect the final report from the inspector later this week.

I will be in touch as more information develops.

Sincerely,

Raymond Castellani  
Superintendent of Schools

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