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Dear Lakeview Community,

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Lower Building Update

What do we now know:

The results of the air and dust testing at the Lower Building are in. Crothers Environmental Group, LCC, from Morrisville did the evaluation on 9-12-12. Dust samplings were taken to look for hazardous levels of asbestos and lead, and air testing was done to determine the total concentration of airborne particulates. A summary of the results is as follows:

- "No Asbestos was found in the dust samples."
- "The lead concentrations found in the dust samples were all below the EPA and HUD standard." "No standard for lead exists for schools, therefore results are compared against the standards used by the EPA and HUD for subsidized housing and pre-K childcare facilities."
- "All concentrations of airborne particulates were well below the VOSHA (Vermont Occupational Safety and Health Administration) standards
- For a complete copy of the Crother's report, please request it from Lorelei.

While the Crothers staff was in the building testing, we asked them to additionally take a sample of the wall paint, which came back negative for lead paint.

What are the next steps:

The next step is to wait for the completion of the project at the Town Hall. Valdine Hall, Greensboro Town Clerk, estimates that the painting won't be completed until 9-28-12; this is another delay due to work equipment and weather. They have the final paint of coat left to do (it's going to be green).

When the paint crew is finished, professional cleaning will occur. The company who will clean uses a "negative exposure assessment protocol." This is an OSHA worker protection requirement for the cleaning company's employees. They will wear suits and respirators as they work. Cleaning of the space will take one to two weeks.

After the cleaning is completed, Crothers Environmental will return for post-cleaning sampling. Once the results come back clean we'll be able to move back into the Lower Building.

Heartfelt Thanks:

This has taken a lot of time and patience on the part of the staff and students. I want to commend them in their outstanding flexibility. PE is either outdoors or in classrooms, art and music are in classrooms, library is traveling around to classrooms, because the 5/6 grade is using the library as a classroom, and the 4/5 grade is in half of the gym, which acoustically is quite a change from the more typical intimate classroom environment. Everyone had handled these challenges, and created opportunities out of them!

Our Open House has been planned for September 26th, and we will have it on that date as planned!! We look forward to our usual fabulous turnout from 6:30 – 7:30.

Sincerely,

Karen Weeks