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TO: Parents of Copper Hill Elementary School Students  
FROM: Kari McGann, Superintendent of Schools  
DATE: August 17, 2018  
RE: **Follow-up: Indoor Air Quality at Copper Hill Elementary School**

As promised I am writing to share with you all results of the indoor air quality testing. Test results have concluded that the indoor air quality is not at a level which is recommended by the outside environmental consultant agency for staff, parents, or community members. As a result, I have decided to temporarily close Copper Hill Elementary School to allow an outside professional company to remediate our building and bring the humidity levels and air quality to an appropriate range. I expect the closing of Copper Hill Elementary to be temporary to allow the necessary remediation and cleanup process to take place.

This decision is not one I made lightly, but one I made with the best interest of our staff, students, and parents to ensure the health, comfort, and learning environment of students and staff at Copper Hill Elementary School and upon consultation with many, including the environmental consultant, our facilities director, our custodial services directors, and our administrative team.

**Important to Note:**

- Kindergarten Orientation, scheduled for Tuesday, August 21st, will be rescheduled to a date yet to be determined. There will be no kindergarten orientation on Tuesday, August 21<sup>st</sup>;
- The Newcomer's Dinner, scheduled for the evening of Tuesday, August 21<sup>st</sup>, will also be rescheduled. There will be no Newcomer's Dinner on the evening of Tuesday, August 21<sup>st</sup>; and
- Office staff from Copper Hill Elementary, including Special Services, will not be in the building to answer the phones or the doors beginning on Monday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, until further notice.

Our district follows the guidelines by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to prevent as many indoor air quality problems (IAQ) as possible and respond to any IAQ issues that may arise. For more information visit the EPA link [here](#).

The health, comfort, and learning environment of students and staff are important aspects of Flemington-Raritan Regional School District's mission.

The district is in constant contact and collaboration with experts in the area of quality indoor air. We are taking the necessary steps to remediate the situation and to have the doors open to students on September 6<sup>th</sup> and to staff as soon as possible. After we have the results of the second surface and air sample testing I will communicate the results of the testing and the date that doors of Copper Hill Elementary School will reopen to staff and students.

Sincerely,

Kari McGann  
Superintendent of Schools