

GLOVERSVILLE ENLARGED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parents and/or Guardians,

Because the welfare of your children is our first priority, I want to make you aware of some precautions we are taking in the ongoing building improvement project at Boulevard Elementary.

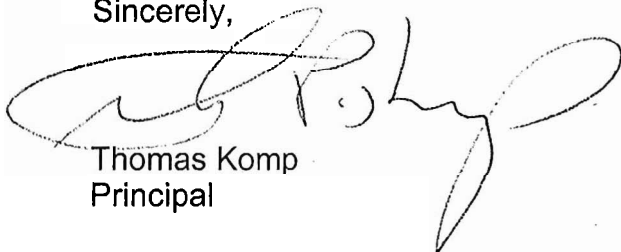
As you may know, the district is updating the lighting in several of our elementary buildings. Recently, ceiling tiles in Boulevard's second-grade wing tested positive for trace amounts of asbestos. This material is rated as "non-friable" which is defined by the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) as "material that contains asbestos fibers which are bonded by cement, vinyl, resin or other similar material and cannot be crumbled, pulverized, or reduced to powder by hand pressure."

Although information from the NYS Dept of Health states that this material is a low health risk unless broken apart, we are postponing work in this area, and will be removing this material using a certified asbestos removal company. Asbestos disposal techniques and safety methods will be used, as regulated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). **All of this will be done during a time when no students or staff are in the building.**

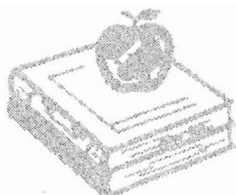
The safety of your children and our staff is our highest priority. Again, we would like to reassure you, **that in their intact state, the tiles pose no health risk to your children.** We will take all the necessary precautions going forward to insure that no-one is put at risk.

If you have any concerns or questions, please contact me at my office.

Sincerely,



Thomas Komp
Principal



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