Dear McClure School Community,

I am writing to update you on the School District of Philadelphia's ongoing efforts to ensure that all schools are healthy and safe for students and staff. As communicated on December 19, the District's Office of Environmental Management a nd Services identified an imminent hazard involving damage to asbestos-containing pipe insulation at McClure Elementary School in the basement hallway and second floor hallway. The District is continuing work to clean and abate the area.

In an abundance of caution, McClure is anticipated to remain closed until Monday, January 13, 2020.

Also, in an effort to keep families informed, I would like to remind you that you are invited to a town hall tonight, January 2 at 5 p.m. at Roberto Clemente Middle School, located at 122 W. Erie Ave. A representative from the District's Office of Environmental Management and Services will be on hand to answer questions about environmental safety in our school.

Before students and staff are back in the building, we will conduct air testing and cleaning as necessary. We will provide results of the air quality tests on our website (www.philasd.org/capitalprograms/healthy-schools/). On the website, you can also find information about efforts the District is taking to ensure that all of our schools are safe.

Nothing is more important than the health and safety of our students and staff. Thank you for your flexibility during this time.

Sincerely, Principal Sharon Marino