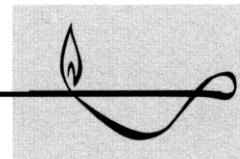


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Office of the Principal

April 25, 2016

Dear School Parents, Guardians, and Staff Members,

This is to inform you that follow-up testing for radon has been completed in our school. The most recent test results from the Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) unit indicate all of our rooms and offices tested had radon levels below the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recommended action limit of 4.0 picocuries per liter of air (pCi/L). Our radon test results can be found at the [MCPS Radon Safety web page](#).

For your information, radon is a naturally occurring radioactive gas that comes from the natural breakdown (decay) of uranium, which is found in soil and rock all over the United States. The EPA recommends that the radon levels above 4.0 pCi/L should be retested prior to any mitigation efforts. Any results showing approximately 10 pCi/L demand a quicker mitigation response, and the radon levels near 100 pCi/L or greater recommend the relocation of classrooms until the radon levels can be reduced. As previously stated, all of our rooms and offices tested had radon levels below the EPA action limit of 4.0 pCi/L.

Attached is a document from the MCPS IAQ unit providing facts about radon testing and whether elevated levels of radon pose a safety hazard in addition to information about our mitigation program. If you have not had your home tested for radon, please consider doing so as well.

Sincerely,

Sherri Gorden

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Principal

Attachment