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Superintendent

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Dear Central High School Community,

The purpose of this letter is to provide an environmental safety update for work at your school. While all District schools were closed this spring as part of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's efforts to stem the spread of COVID-19, the Office of Environmental Management and Services (OEMS) was able to remove asbestos containing materials (ACM) that were found in Central High School.

Damaged asbestos-containing pipe insulation was removed in the staff restroom and plaster debris was cleaned in the Instructional Media Center (IMC). The work performed in these areas was completed by licensed asbestos abatement contractors and monitored by independent asbestos project inspectors. With the completion of this work, the areas have been deemed safe for reoccupancy.

The health and well-being of our students and staff remains a top priority and we are committed to ensuring that all buildings are safe environments for instruction and learning. To learn more about asbestos and what the District is doing to improve environmental safety, please visit our website at www.philasd.org/healthyschools. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please email environmental@philasd.org.

Sincerely,

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