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Dear Parents/Guardians:

I would like to update you regarding our elementary school renovation projects. We are in the final stage of state review to obtain approval for project reimbursement and to move forward with bidding out the projects with contractors. We remain on target to begin renovations at all three schools at the end of June and discussions are occurring about packing, moving classrooms over the course of next year, and the actual phasing plan. The phasing plan for each school consists of approximately four stages of moves in each building over the year. Once we have the final phasing plans complete we will begin communicating this information with parents and our school community.

All three of our Elementary Schools will be undergoing full asbestos abatement for most of this coming summer. There will be no summer school or Park and Recreation programs occurring in any of the buildings. These programs will be taking place in the Middle School and High School. Schedules and locations for all programs are still being finalized.

We remain excited for the renovation process to fully begin at the end of this school year, and we remain hopeful that through the bidding process we come in under budget for the work that will be done. Many thanks to all of our elementary staff and administration. Countless hours have already gone into the review and planning for these projects and we want to recognize those efforts! Next year will be challenging for everyone at the elementary level, and we will work collaboratively to ensure there is the least amount of disruption possible for our students.

As always, if you have any questions please feel free to reach out to your school's principal or to my office.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey R. Newton
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