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Dear SWSD Community,

In light of recent concerns surrounding mercury in rubberized, synthetic gym floors, the District partnered with Environmental Design Inc, to take the proactive step to test our District installed floors. Two schools, Stratton and Hill, have this style of flooring in their cafeteria/auditorium.

To obtain accurate information, testing occurred in two phases. In the first phase, a minimal presence of mercury was detected in both floors. This is not uncommon in floors installed in the early 2000s. After receiving this information, the District conducted additional tests for Indoor Air Quality (IAQ). After receiving the final report in late July, the administration, Board of Education, and Environmental Design took time to review the findings.

The District is happy to report the air quality results were well below the New Jersey Department of Health (NJDOH) action limit criteria and **no corrective measures or actions are needed** at this time. The complete report is now posted on the District's website.

With all of the information gained through this process, the District will initiate regularly scheduled thorough air quality sampling in these specific areas. These tests will be in addition to our current random IAQ testing that is performed two times per year. We will also continue to have discussions with the professionals to determine if any additional proactive measures need to be taken to avoid potential future problems. As always, the Swedesboro-Woolwich School District is committed to providing a safe learning and work environment. I thank you for your continued support of our school district.

Sincerely,

Dr. Kristin P. O'Neil

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Superintendent