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School #18 work Summary:

Completed:

Room #1, Principal's Office, and main office, abated for asbestos and mold.

Ceilings removed and replaced in Room #1, Principal's Office, and main office.

Carpet replaced in main office and Principal's Office.

Visible mold treated in all rooms & hallways. Spots with mold were scraped, sprayed with fungicide, and painted with mold-inhibiting paint.

All rooms were cleaned by janitors over the 3/24, 3/25 weekend.

Room #5 abated for asbestos fibers by B&G.

Ahera reps walked the building to visually inspect for any additional issues. They found a pipe with asbestos insulation in the media center. They will address that pipe when they work on the media center.

In progress:

Rooms #14, #22, #26 & media center will be abated the same way room #5 was abated by B&G

Soffits will be repaired by outside contractor. The contractor gave us a 4/9 start date but we are trying to get him to start sooner.

All asbestos floor tiles in Room #1 will be abated and replaced with non-asbestos flooring. The lockers will also be removed in room #1. The space where the lockers are will be replaced with sheetrock. We will install the new lockers/cubbies when they arrive.

An architect is designing plans for a permanent solution. The architects are saying this is a complicated and expensive problem. In the meantime, we have a short term solution to the water problem. We plan to waterproof the area of concern with sealant or epoxy until the architect can supply a permanent solution.

We plan on hiring an outside cleaning company to clean the rest of the rooms (other than #14, #22, #26, and the media center). We are looking at office cleaning companies to perform this work next week.

The town inspector recommended clearing out the drainage system in the courtyard. We will get the township workers to perform that work.

On Monday, April 2, we are meeting with a contractor to address the drainage issues on Elizabeth Ave side of the building.

We intend to hire Fionna Mowat, Ph.D., Principal Scientist & Center Director for Health Sciences, from a consulting company called Exponent in Menlo Park, CA, to write our summary report on all the abating and cleaning we've done so far. We will have that report ASAP.

Update on proposal to relocate students throughout the district (Plan B)

After careful consideration and partial planning, we have decided that a proposal to move the School #18 students to different locations during the regular school day (Plan B) is impossible. We tried to implement Plan B, going as far as arranging the classrooms in the destination schools. Teachers and administrators worked out details, it was just too problematic. Although Plan B will provide full-day instruction, there are simply too many complications:

- 1) We cannot use libraries or church halls because they cannot be secured and we'd also need nurses, secretaries, and security at each location.
- 2) Students would have to gather at IMS (bussed or walkers) at 9:00 am, similar to the split session process. They will be arranged into classes, then board busses to their destination schools. This process may take over 15 minutes. When they board the busses, the ride may be another 15 minutes or more. By the time they get to their classrooms, it may be close to 10:00 am.
- 3) Dismissal would have to be staggered to allow for the rest of the bussing throughout the town. Students would not return back to IMS until at least 4:30 or 5:00. Then some students would have to board another bus to get home.
- 4) We would have to split individual classes to fit in the available rooms at the destination schools. Any grade with 5 sections (grade 2 & 3) would have to reduce to 4 sections to fit in the school. This would not be fair to the class that would be split.
- 5) PARCC testing will also be a problem at the destination schools.

Saturday, March 31

B&G abatement company was at School #18 to set up for abating rooms 14, 22, 26, and media center.

Met with cleaning company to get prices.

Monday, April 2

B&G abatement company begins work on rooms 14, 22, 26, and media center.

Met with landscaping company for price on outside drainage. Will get us price on 4/3.

Met with Grafas Painting Contractor to give a price on sealing the exterior flashing. They will provide both long term and short term solutions.

Sent information and test results from School #18 to Dr. Fionna Mowat, from EXPONENT, 149 Commonwealth Drive, Menlo Park, CA

Tuesday April 3

B&G and AHERA arrived at 7AM.

Abating was completed in Rooms #22 & 26.

Testing was done in those rooms.

Abating continued in Room #14 and Media Center.

Architects proposal was received for full interior and exterior renovation.

Drainage proposal was received.

Office Cleaning company will be starting to clean all remaining classrooms, hallways, and multi-purpose room.

Monday April 9

West Point Cleaners cleaned all rooms except 1, 5, 6, 7, 14, 22, 26, media center. These rooms were cleaned by B&G, the asbestos abatement company. After the work was completed, post tests found no asbestos fibers.

Wipe test results from room 6 & 7 found no asbestos detected.

On Saturday a pipe was found in room 37 (copy room) that contained asbestos insulation. The insulation was encapsulated by B&G and post tests found no asbestos fibers.

The guidance office had ceiling tile repaired. After the work was performed by B&G, post tests found 1 fiber. The room will be cleaned again by B&G and retested.

T&M recommended that we hold off on any work on the roof until the summer. That would include the flashing repair. We will work on a temporary fix until then. West Point Roofing not Grafas painting will be doing the roof work.

Repairs began on the soffits in the courtyards this weekend. Work is expected to be completed today or tomorrow.

The new floor was installed in room #1 on Saturday, April 7.

T&M walkthrough scheduled for April 9. We expect their written report soon.

The report from Dr. Fiona Mowat from Exponent has been received and is posted on the website.

On Saturday April 7, our workers reviewed all of the comments left by parents at the open house:

1. Ceiling Tiles - will be treated over the summer
2. Floor Tiles - will be treated over the summer
3. Lockers - will be removed over the summer (removed/replaced)
4. Wall Cracks - will be evaluated on Monday
5. Missing Cove Base - will be replaced on Monday
6. Dirty Rugs / Floor Under Rugs - Rugs were discarded and areas underneath were cleaned on Saturday
7. Excessive Clutter – addressed by teachers
8. Back of Chair Bags are dirty - bags can be discarded or washed

T&M rep will walk the school on Monday, April 9, to visually inspect. We expect their written report soon. If all goes well, we hope to back at School #18 on Wednesday.