



April 2, 2019

Dear WTPS Staff and Families,

I am writing all of you today to provide additional information related to our gym floors. I want you to be aware of developments in the District and protocols that are being put into place to see us through the end of this school year.

Due to the prospect of fair weather now that spring has arrived, and with an abundance of caution, all gym classes at our six elementary schools, Bunker Hill Middle School, and Washington Township High School will be relocated both in and out of the building to continue to provide health and physical education instruction and dance instruction. This also applies to our before-and-after school programs at each elementary school.

Although the test results and data presented by our District engineer and certified industrial hygienist indicate that our gyms tested well below the NJDOH guidelines, and that the continued use of the gyms does not present any short- or long-term health risk based on the most advanced air quality testing, we feel this prudent step will put the minds of our community, our staff, and our students at ease.

Therefore, effective immediately, no instruction or activity will occur in these locations for the remainder of the school year.

The District is exploring ways that we can remediate and replace all nine floors this summer. This will be discussed at the Board of Education's special meeting tomorrow evening at 5:30 p.m., located in the Eileen Abbott Central Administration Building.

Sincerely,

Joseph N. Bollendorf, Superintendent