

Tuesday, August 26, 2025

Dear BCS Parents & Staff,

Subject: High School Gymnasium – Cleaning and Safety Update

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to everyone for your patience and support as we worked through the recent issue in the high school gymnasium. As noted in my previous communication, the safety and well-being of our students and staff has remained our highest priority, and we have taken proactive measures out of an abundance of caution.

To ensure a safe and healthy environment, the District engaged Washovia Services, a professional disaster remediation service, to evaluate and assist with cleaning efforts. Their team responded promptly last night, working closely with District personnel to address the impacted area, including isolating the area and utilizing a HEPA air filtration system. The affected materials in the gymnasium were thoroughly removed, and the entire space is being professionally cleaned, disinfected, and treated according to industry standards for environmental safety.

In addition to the physical cleaning, we also partnered with DMD Environmental to conduct comprehensive air quality testing throughout the high school, including the gymnasium, classrooms, and hallways. All areas outside of the gymnasium were confirmed to be cleared with no findings of harmful substances in any of the tested areas.

With the affected area currently being treated, as well as all tests confirming a safe environment, we are ready to welcome students and staff back to school tomorrow as scheduled. The gymnasium will continue to be closed until final air quality testing is completed. It will remain isolated with negative pressure until air testing post remediation is received.

Thank you once again for your continued trust, understanding, and support. Should you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

Scott Riley, Superintendent