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To: Superintendent Jeffrey Mulqueen Pentucket Association of Teachers

Parents, Residents, Teachers and Staff

Please be advised, that in the course of the remediation of the Page School, the Town has been informed that there has been a potential exposure of nonfriable asbestos. As a precautionary measure, the Selectmen have voted to close the school building to all activities in order to permit the proper testing of the questionable material. The sampling is being conducted by the industrial hygienist in accordance with the regulations promulgated by the Environmental Protection Agency.

As a result, the reopening of the Page School will be delayed and would require extending the timeframe beyond the anticipated return date of February 26th. Once the Town has more information, we shall include it in our weekly updates. We wish to thank parents, students, staff and community for your continued patience and understanding in this matter.

Since the Children's Castle building is separated by a fire wall and its utilities are self-contained, it is not impacted by this school closure.

Respectfully,

David W. Archibald, Chairman Glenn A. Kemper Joseph H. Anderson, Jr. BOARD OF SELECTMEN