

ISLAND TREES UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Office of the Superintendent of Schools
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June 19, 2008

Dear Parents/Guardians:

I am writing to update you about the situation with the art room at the high school. As I previously wrote in my last letter, glazing compound containing lead has been used in the art room for a number of years.

This past weekend we brought in a professional testing company to take swipe samples in the art room. Eighteen swipe samples were taken. Ten results were favorable, four had slightly elevated levels and four were considered high. The high levels were from the samples taken in the cabinet storing the paint and on the floor in front of the cabinet and kiln. The results have been posted with this letter.

Last Sunday, we engaged the services of a company specializing in lead remediation. The contractor isolated the room and commenced cleaning it. This work should be completed very shortly. The contents of the room will be disposed, with the exception of students' portfolios that may be needed for college applications. The contents of the portfolios will be cleaned as effectively as possible by the contractor and arrangements will be made to return them to students. Student art kits will also be disposed. However, arrangements will be made to reimburse the cost of the kits since they are purchased by the students/parents. Mr. Peter Gibbons, Director of Fine and Performing Arts, will be coordinating these arrangements. His telephone number is 520-2152.

Please know that we are being proactive and diligent about any situations involving substances that may present any hazards. The glazing compounds containing lead will not be used or purchased in the future. A complete assessment of all chemicals, cleaners and other materials will be completed. Of course, if you have any health related questions, you should consult your family physician.

We plan to have representatives from the testing company and the district's environmental engineer available at our next Board of Education meeting on Wednesday, June 25, 2008, 8:00 p.m., at the Gallow School, to answer any questions you may have. You may also contact me at 520-2100 if you have any concerns or questions.

Sincerely,

James Parla
Superintendent of Schools

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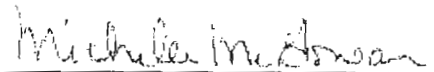
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EMSL Proj:
 Report Date: 6/14/2008

Lead in Dust by Flame AAS (SW 846 3060B and 7420*)

Client Sample Description	Lab ID	Collected	Analyzed	Area Sampled	Lead Concentration
1 Art Rm., North Floor Area, 1 X 1 Sq.	0001	6/13/2008	6/14/2008	144 in ²	12 µg/ft ²
2 Art Rm., Floor Next to Kiln., 1 X 1 Sq.	0002	6/13/2008	6/14/2008	144 in ²	920 µg/ft ²
3 Art Rm., South West Floor, 1 X 1 Sq.	0003	6/13/2008	6/14/2008	144 in ²	<10 µg/ft ²
4 Art Rm., South East Floor, 1 X 1 Sq.	0004	6/13/2008	6/14/2008	144 in ²	18 µg/ft ²
5 Art Rm., Black Desk, North Side, 1 X 1 Sq.	0005	6/13/2008	6/14/2008	144 in ²	<10 µg/ft ²
6 Art Rm., Northeast Side Sink, Counter, 1 X 1 Sq.	0006	6/13/2008	6/14/2008	144 in ²	13 µg/ft ²
7 Art Rm., Cabinet Which Holds Glaze, 1 X 1 Sq.	0007	6/13/2008	6/14/2008	144 in ²	1200 µg/ft ²
8 Art Rm., S. of Rm. Table w/Racks, 1 X 1 Sq.	0008	6/13/2008	6/14/2008	144 in ²	18 µg/ft ²
9 Art Rm., NW Top Wall Cabinet Unit, 1 X 1 Sq.	0009	6/13/2008	6/14/2008	144 in ²	76 µg/ft ²



Michelle McGowan, Laboratory Manager
 or other approved signatory

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Client Sample Description	Lab ID	Collected	Analyzed	Area Sampled	Lead Concentration
10 Art Rm., NE Top of Wall Cabinet Unit, 1 X 1 Sq.	0010	6/13/2008	6/14/2008	144 in ²	95 µg/ft ²
11 Art Rm., Glaze Cabinet Pull Out Shelf, 1 X 1 Sq.	0011	6/13/2008	6/14/2008	144 in ²	2500 µg/ft ²
12 Art Rm., Counter Top to the Right Kiln, 1 X 1 Sq.	0012	6/13/2008	6/14/2008	144 in ²	58 µg/ft ²
13 Art Rm., Floor Below Paper Storage Unit, 1 X 1 Sq.	0013	6/13/2008	6/14/2008	144 in ²	<10 µg/ft ²
14 Art Rm., Top of Center Cabinet Unit, 1 X 1 Sq.	0014	6/13/2008	6/14/2008	144 in ²	41 µg/ft ²
15 Art Rm., West Side Window Ledge, 1 X 1 Sq.	0015	6/13/2008	6/14/2008	144 in ²	<10 µg/ft ²
16 Art Rm., S. East Counter Top, 1 X 1 Sq.	0016	6/13/2008	6/14/2008	144 in ²	11 µg/ft ²
17 Art Rm., Top of SW Wall Cabinet Unit, 1 X 1 Sq.	0017	6/13/2008	6/14/2008	144 in ²	18 µg/ft ²
18 Art Rm., NW Top of Metal Cabinet, 1 X 1 Sq.	0018	6/13/2008	6/14/2008	144 in ²	890 µg/ft ²

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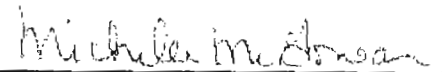
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19 Blank	0019	6/13/2008	6/14/2008	n/a	<10 µg/wipe
20 Blank	0020	6/13/2008	6/14/2008	n/a	<10 µg/wipe

Average relative percent difference in data is 5.9



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