

**TO: Parents and Staff**

**FROM: Julie Pritzel, Principal**

**DATE: August 2016**

**RE: Asbestos Notice and Water Quality Testing**

**In compliance with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA), in 1990 an inspection of our school buildings was performed for asbestos-containing building materials. The inspection findings and asbestos management plans have been on file in the office of the Parish Business Manager since that time.**

The EPA requires us to perform re-inspections of asbestos materials every three years. On June 23, 2015, an accredited asbestos inspector from FiberTec Industrial Hygiene Services, Inc., under contract with the Diocese of Lansing, performed the most recent inspection and informed our School that we have met their recommendations and that our buildings are safe.

The results of that re-inspection, and all re-inspections, are on file in the Parish Business Manager's office. Everyone is welcome to view these at any time, by appointment, during normal business hours. The Parish Business Manager, Michael Scott, is available to answer any questions you may have about asbestos in our buildings. He may be reached at (734) 821-2111.

With respect to water quality, early on the morning of February 23, 2016, first draw samples were taken from all eight drinking fountain locations throughout the School, PAC, and Church, and tested for the presence of copper and lead. Copper testing showed no detectable levels of Copper at all in four of the fountains, and concentrations of only 0.06 to 0.09 mg/Liter in the other four; the maximum allowable level set by the regulatory authorities for Copper is 1.30 mg/L., more than 15 times higher than our highest level. Lead testing showed no detectable levels of Lead at all in six of the fountains, and concentrations of 0.001 and 0.002 mg/L. in the other two; the maximum allowable level set by the regulatory authorities for Lead is 0.015 mg/L., more than 7 times higher than our highest level. The City of Ann Arbor Water Department, which had the tests analyzed by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, informs us that the tests show our water is of high quality and safe for human consumption.