



RIDGEFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Parents and Staff:

The Ridgefield Public Schools' Facilities Department would like to notify you that radon testing will be conducted between March 13, 2023 and March 15, 2023 at Branchville Elementary and Veterans Park Elementary. According to Connecticut General Statute Sec. 10-220(d), all public schools must inspect and evaluate the indoor air quality in school buildings every five years. This required inspection and re-evaluation of indoor air quality includes evaluation of radon gas.

The purpose of the re-evaluation of indoor air quality is to determine if air quality has changed in the past several years. Following State requirements, the District performed the last round of required radon re-evaluation and testing in April, 2021. Those results can be found on www.ridgefield.org under the Facilities' tab.

Fuss & O'Neill, Inc. has been contracted to conduct the radon re-evaluation of the school buildings. To re-evaluate buildings for radon in air, a limited number of locations are selected. Small test devices containing charcoal will be placed in ten percent of the occupied rooms that are in contact with the ground. In addition, devices will be placed in all previously mitigated rooms. That is, rooms where radon was reduced by the installation of a radon mitigation system. Radon test devices are safe and do not cause any adverse health effects. These devices will be left in place for two to three school days.

The Facilities Department will keep radon test reports on file and inform you of test results and interpretations when all testing has been completed. If elevated levels of radon are found, steps will be taken to reduce radon levels below the United States Environmental Protection Agency action level of 4.0 pCi/L.

If you have any concerns regarding radon testing, please feel free to contact my office at (203) 894-5550 extension 1120.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Joe Morits', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Joe Morits

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