



**April 22, 2025**

**Subject:** Fernwood update

Dear Fernwood Families and Staff,

We are writing to keep you informed of the progress in the lead cleanup at Fernwood Montessori School. Additional cleaning was completed this morning by Milwaukee Public Schools in four designated areas. The district is awaiting the analysis of retesting in those four areas by the City of Milwaukee Health Department.

The City of Milwaukee Health Department had notified us Monday evening that four of 60 tests in Fernwood required retesting on Tuesday, following additional cleaning.

Students and staff should continue to report to Douglas Middle School until informed otherwise. Once the Fernwood building is cleared for occupancy, staff will be given a full day to set up classrooms as planned and welcome students back the next day.

The safety of our students and staff is our priority. Only after the health department has cleared the building will students and staff be allowed to enter Fernwood.

We will update you as soon as we learn more. Thank you for your patience as we continue the work of ensuring a safe environment for all at Fernwood.

Sincerely,

Office of School Administration