



**Olga Hugelmeyer**  
Superintendent of Schools

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

Elizabeth Public Schools is strongly committed to providing a safe and caring environment for all students, families, and team members.

This morning, due to a suspected natural gas odor in the basement level of Toussaint L'Ouverture – Marquis de Lafayette School No. 6 in proximity to the boiler room, the fire alarm was pulled to notify the fire department and to indicate that students and team members should evacuate from the school building.

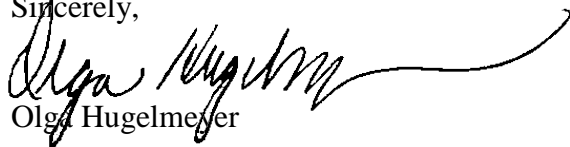
The premises were investigated by Elizabeth Fire Department with instruments that detect the presence of natural gas. Upon determining that no gas was present in the air, the fire department authorized clearance for students and team members to reenter the school building and resume regularly scheduled activities. As an added precaution, the Elizabeth Public Schools Division of Plant, Property, and Equipment contacted Elizabethtown Gas to inspect the entire gas system.

Please know that the safety of our children and our team members is always a top priority and informing the parents and guardians of our school community in a timely manner about issues pertaining to safety is of utmost importance.

We are grateful for the professional and rapid attention given to this matter by the Elizabeth Fire Department and members of our plant and property team.

Thank you for your continued support of Elizabeth Public Schools.

Sincerely,



Olga Hugelmeyer

**Office of the Superintendent of Schools**