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**Acting Superintendent of Schools** 

Mrs. Eveny de Mendez

## STATEMENT FROM WEST ORANGE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

## **UPDATE ON LEGIONELLA TESTING (December 11, 2018)**

**Gregory Elementary School** 

Dear Gregory Elementary School Parents and Guardians:

Testing for the presence of Legionella bacteria in the water system was conducted at Gregory Elementary School in August. The school's entire water system underwent a super chlorination and flushing process that was performed by an environmental consulting firm with expertise in the bacteria.

We received the retesting results after the chlorination process was completed. All but one (1) sample came back negative for Legionella. A Nephros filter has been installed on the sink in the second floor boys' restroom to prevent bacteria from entering the water. Follow up water testing is scheduled for 12/13/18.

The health & well-being of our students and staff are our top priority. Thank you for your cooperation during the district's remediation process.

Sincerely,

Eveny de Mendez