



Neshaminy School District

2001 Old Lincoln Highway • Langhorne, Pennsylvania 19047-3295

October 3, 2015

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We would like to inform you that there was a confirmed case of MRSA (Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus) with one of our Neshaminy High School students reported today. The primary method of contraction of this bacterial infection is skin-to-skin contact or touching objects with the bacteria on it. In this case, however, the risk of other students contracting it via indirect or casual contact is extremely low.

Despite that minimal risk, our custodial staff took extra preventative measures Friday, which included extra cleaning and sanitizing of certain areas at the high school using special disinfectants to further minimize any possible contamination. These procedures are in line with recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. We do not expect any of these precautions to interfere with any school activities over the weekend or classes on Monday.

At this point we have no reason to believe any other students or staff members are in danger of infection. If you have concerns about MRSA with regards to your own child, please contact your family physician or health care provider.

We would also like to take this opportunity to recommend that you to read about the causes and symptoms of MRSA and review some precautionary tactics that could prevent new cases in the future. Information can be found at the CDC web site using the link below:

<http://www.cdc.gov/mrsa/community/team-hc-providers/advice-for-athletes.html>

Thank you for your understanding as we strive to maintain the safest possible environment possible for all of our students.