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March 20, 2015

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Please be advised of the following important reminders:

1) The selection portal for the Voluntary Random Drug Testing program is open. Parents are required to select whether or not they would like their child to participate in the program. Selections need to be made for all current grade 6 to 12 students. The selection portal is located here:

<http://www.bernardsboe.com/cms/One.aspx?portalId=3096972&pageId=5967599>. You may also proceed to the portal by going to the district website and selecting Parents and then Voluntary Random Drug Testing Program. We believe this program is a great opportunity for parents to help deter a child's use of drugs and we strongly encourage parents to select to enroll their child(ren). Please help us get the program started by completing the selection forms by Wednesday, March 25, 2015. For additional information see the letter originally sent on this topic at the end of this correspondence.

2) Ridge High School is running a unique schedule for PARCC testing next week on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, March 23-25. Please be sure you are aware of the special school and bus schedules by reviewing the letters Mr. Howlett sent in the last two Ridge Friday Folders.

3) Due to the inclement weather on Friday March 20, 2015, the schedule for the William Annin Middle School spring musical had to be adjusted. Therefore, the 7 PM showing of *Mary Poppins* originally scheduled for Friday, March 20, 2015 has been rescheduled to a 1 PM matinee on Saturday, March 21, 2015. All tickets purchased for the Friday performance will be honored at the Saturday, 1 PM performance only. If you are unable to attend and would like a refund of your purchase, please click [here](#). A refund will be made directly to the credit card you used for purchase.

Tickets for all performances are still available and can be purchased online at <http://ridgepac.com/>. Purchasing your ticket online will allow you to select your seat and print your ticket at home and this will avoid waiting in line for a ticket. Additionally, as seating is limited at this time, this will ensure a seat is available when you arrive for the performance. All seats are \$12 (Adult, Student, Senior Citizen) and can be purchased online using Visa or MasterCard. If you need further assistance, please contact MFackelman@bernardsboe.com.

4) Have you changed your cell phone number, your home phone number or your email address lately? Please remember to keep the school offices informed so that we can keep contact information up to date.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,



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March 6, 2015

Dear Parent/Guardian,

I am pleased to announce that we are almost ready to implement our Voluntary Random Student Drug Testing program at Ridge High School and William Annin Middle School. In order to implement the program correctly and according to our policy and procedure, we need to have parents of all middle school and high school students make an active selection for their child(ren). In order to select whether or not you wish to have your child(ren) in our Voluntary Random Student Drug Testing program please proceed to the selection page of our website by clicking [here](#). Even if you do not wish to participate in the program please actively indicate this through the selection form – it takes only a minute to complete.

You will note that when you get to the selection site on our webpage you will be provided with the opportunity to review a Q&A, the policy, and the procedure before you get to the selection form. Hopefully each document will answer any questions that you have about the program. Once you arrive at the selection form you will need to know the student ID number for each of your children. All grade 6 to 12 students use their student ID number for purchasing food items in our cafeterias and for logging in to our computer network so the students have their student ID number. One selection form is completed per child and you will be prompted to complete multiple forms as needed. Should you have any questions or should you need assistance in obtaining your child's student ID number, please contact the school office.

We are hopeful that this program will be another useful tool in helping parents deter their children from using drugs. Of course parents can choose to randomly drug test children on their own outside of our school program; however we are happy to be able to offer this service. Regardless of what you choose for your child(ren) we appreciate your help in completing the selection forms. Thank you for your assistance and for everything you do to support the health and well being of your children so that they are ready to learn.

Sincerely,



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