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Dear Holsgrove Families & Staff:

I am writing to share details about the upcoming maintenance by Trans-Northern Pipeline on school property this month. Although the maintenance work will occur during the school day, Trans-Northern continues to work closely with the school and the Board's Facility Services team to minimize the impact on school activities as well as school property.

Trans-Northern assures us student and staff safety will not be compromised.

Trans-Northern will provide additional personnel to manage protection of the work area during school hours. As an additional precaution, they will also provide security outside of schools hours. This will help ensure our community can continue to safely use the school property at all times. In addition, our head caretaker, Mr. McDonald, will continue to check the school grounds as part of his regular maintenance procedures. They have assured us that any impact to school property will be repaired, that disruption to regular activities is kept to a minimum, and the construction area is well protected.

The work is expected to begin mid-November, and will last approximately three weeks. In the coming days, Trans-Northern will begin preparations. This includes creating a service or access road with a gated entrance along the fence line at the northeast corner of the property. Ground cover will be placed along the entire access way to protect the soccer field, and it will be fenced in. This service entrance will be used by Trans-Northern to move equipment in and out as required. Use of the access way will occur before or after bus drop-off and pick-up times, and will not occur while students are outside for recess or lunch.

Trans-Northern will also be providing a number of extra measures to ensure our students and staff are safe at all times. To further protect and increase safety around the dig area, Trans-Northern will be establishing a much larger working zone. This area will be enclosed by a 7-foot, fabric-covered, steel fence. The actual dig area is approximately 5 x 15 metres, and will be covered at all times. This additional covering is known as hording, and acts as a dust suppressant. Activities that involve grinding//welding//blasting will be restricted to when students are in the classroom. The screened security fence eliminates curious on-lookers, and in conjunction with the hoarding, eliminates any flash escaping the work area. Trans-Norther assures us that any welding will take place when students are inside the school.

I know the timing of this repair work is not ideal. We cannot thank you enough for your cooperation and understanding while the work is completed. Pleased be assured, our first concern is always the safety of students and staff.

Should you have questions you can reach me at the school.

Sincerely,

Laurel Cruise-Alkenbrack, Principal



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