February 4, 2022

Dear Families and Staff of Central Middle School:

Today, GPS' director of facilities joined officials from the Town of Greenwich Division of Building Inspection on a tour of Central Middle School to review the results of the recent <u>systems</u> evaluation report that we shared with you on Wednesday.

This morning, the Town's inspectors have made the decision to close the building until it is deemed safe for occupancy by the engineering firm who specializes in this type of structural work. They have posted a sign on the front door of the school to alert the community that the building is closed. We understand it could be unsettling.

GPS is in discussions with the reputable engineering firm, and as of noon today, we are optimistic that they will provide a safety clearance in conjunction with making some temporary immediate implementations.

GPS will use the remainder of today and work through the weekend to better understand the timing of this challenge. We are hoping that there is a short-term solution which can be quickly implemented. We will continue to communicate with the CMS community as quickly as possible to keep you informed of the progress.

Ultimately, please know that there is nothing more important than the safety of our students and staff, and GPS will work with the experts in the field with the utmost diligence.

Dr. Toni Jones, Superintendent of Schools Thomas C. Healy, CMS Principal