BOYERTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Home of the Bears

February 12, 2026

Dear GES Families and Staff,

As a follow-up to our December 15, 2025 update on water testing and reporting of detection levels of PFOA at Gilbertsville Elementary, the Boyertown Area School District has continued its collaboration with Suburban Water Technology, Inc., our contracted water safety service provider, on remediation efforts.

At the January 13th Board of School Directors' Committee of the Whole Meeting, Mr. Crum (VP of Environmental Services, Suburban Water) **presented two treatment options**—Carbon Filtration and Anion Resin—as treatment systems for reducing the PFOA level to 4 parts per trillion (PPT) as required by PA Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) by 2031. Through testing and analysis, Suburban Water recommended the Anion Resin system for GES.

On February 3, 2026, Suburban Water returned to **answer Board questions** about the two treatment systems.

As requested by the district, Suburban Water submitted a formal proposal for the Anion Resin Treatment System, which was approved by the Board on February 10th. Approval from the PADEP and installation of the Anion Resin system has begun and may take an estimated four to six months.

Additionally, the Board approved the installation of PFOA filters at water bottle filling stations and fountains. Installation begins on Friday, February 13th, and will finish by Monday, February 16th. Once complete, the district will begin retesting at those locations and share future results with our school community.

The district has also created a **GES Water Testing, Remediation, and Additional Information** web page.

Thank you to Suburban Water Technology, our Board, staff, and families for your prompt response, cooperation, and support as we proceed with water safety remediation efforts.

Sincerely,

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