



Barnes-Gram January 28, 2008

Today, Holly High School students and staff returned to classes. I need to clarify some misconceptions that are out in the community. In no special order, I offer the following:

- A second story water line burst last Monday: part of the sprinkler system.
- No sewage line burst last Monday.
- No fire occurred last Monday.
- No structural damage occurred last Monday.
- A company specializing in such matters as water damage has been working since last Monday. The scope of the water issue was far beyond what our district employees could handle.
- Indeed, the appropriate review for mold did occur. A different firm from the firm that conducted the clean-up conducted the review.
- After review from the healthAir Group, the following two conclusions occurred. One, the water intrusion had been appropriately mitigated. Two, no mold concerns have occurred following the district's response.

Was it necessary for the building to be closed all week? The answer is yes. For an appropriate clean-up, followed by the needed reviews for moisture, mold, etc., the needed fire marshall's approval to put students back in the building, and ensuring the fire system worked properly, the time frame was a very prudent one.

It is always our school district's intent to ensure our buildings are ready occupancy in the event of such happenings. Thanks for allowing me the opportunity to share such information.