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Dear Parent or Guardian:

We have recently found a bed bug specimen in one of our school classrooms within the District. Bed bugs are a nuisance, but their bites are not known to spread disease. They are usually active and feed on blood at night. The bite is initially painless; but it may become swollen and itch, much like a mosquito bite. If you have concerns for you or your child, you should call a doctor.

The source of bed bugs often cannot be determined, as bed bugs may be found in many places including hotels, planes, and movie theaters. Even though it is unlikely for bed bugs to be spread in schools, the Department of Education will conduct an inspection and, if indicated, treatment of the area where the bug was found.

The East Orange Health and Property Maintenance Department at (973) 266-5320 will continue to work to identify bed bug infestation and to offer assistance as needed.

If you have any questions regarding bed bug infestation within your home, please call (973) 266-5320 for assistance.

Sincerely,



Dr. Gloria C. Scott
Superintendent