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## **IMMEDIATE UPDATE**

The Midland School District has been working with community members and employees to move all equipment out of the Lacon Facility since early Friday morning (2/5/16). Only equipment in areas identified as **NOT** containing deteriorating lead dust were moved – as advised by IDEAL Engineering. Furthermore, all items were thoroughly sanitized prior to entrance into the Middle School. Tomorrow all elementary and middle school staff will report to the Middle School to prepare classrooms for students, finish cleaning the building, prepare a.m. & p.m. food menus and finalize the transportation plan. Parents will be notified by classroom teachers regarding the specifics of transportation for their children. Tuesday will be an in-service day for staff with an open house in the evening for parents. The targeted date to resume school is Wednesday February 10, 2016. Please keep in mind all dates are projected and may be revised. The District will keep parents informed of any revisions. The Midland District is committed to providing a safe and healthy environment for students and staff.

The results of Middle School Air Quality Samples are expected to be delivered to school officials by Monday February 8, 2016.

The district would like to express its sincere appreciation to all individuals who selflessly donated their time and hard work, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, moving teacher's equipment to the Middle School. The children, staff, and school board will never forget their generosity. The District will soon be releasing names of people and businesses that assisted in the move from the Elementary School to the Middle School. It is reassuring that the district has a base of caring and concerned parents, businesses, and community members that are willing to assist in resuming the education of our children.