

# School Board of Brevard County

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Desmond K. Blackburn, Ph.D., Superintendent



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Dear Parents, Guardians, Faculty, and Staff of Surfside Elementary School:

I am writing to inform you that diesel fuel contamination was reassessed in August 2014 as a result of a 1991 removal of an underground heating oil storage tank that was located on the south side of the school's main office building.

Initial remedial actions (removal of petroleum affected soils and groundwater) and natural attenuation monitoring work was performed from 1991 to 1994. This contamination was determined eligible for State-funded cleanup under the Abandoned Tank Restoration Program in 1991 (Florida Dept. of Environmental Protection: FDEP). Additional soil and groundwater assessment activities were conducted in 2011 to see if residual contamination had reduced through natural weathering (attenuation). These results confirmed that petroleum affected soils and ground water remained underground south of the administration (front office) building. The risk of exposure was considered to be low because the product and impacted soil is not accessible (below grade) and the school and surrounding area are on a public water supply. The FDEP approved contractor -- MAS Environmental, LLC) performed a series of soil and ground water sampling/analysis during the Fall of 2017 and the Winter of 2018. The sampling results indicated that the affected soil and groundwater have attenuated to points below regulatory limits (State Clean-up Target Levels). Please see the attached *No Further Action Letter* issued to BPS by the regulatory agency -- FDEP.

All Surfside Elementary School parents, guardians, faculty, and staff shall be informed of this final result, as it relates to prior yearly-distributed subject notification letters.

Please do not hesitate to contact Jim Powers (District Environmental Health & Safety Office: 633-3580 x13074) with any related questions, comments or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. G. Theodore".

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Assistant Superintendent, Facilities Services

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