## **Ketchikan Gateway Borough School District**

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

We have recently found a bed bug specimen in your child's classroom. Bed Bugs are small insects that live by feeding on human blood, usually at night. The bite is painless and may or may not become swollen and itch, much like that of a mosquito bite. While bed bugs are a nuisance, they are not known to spread disease. If you have concerns for you or your child, you should call your family doctor.

The source of the bed bugs often cannot be determined, as bed bugs may be found in many places. Even though it is unlikely for bed bugs to infest a school, the Ketchikan Gateway Borough School District will conduct an inspection and, if necessary, areas where bed bugs are found will be treated. The KGBSD will continue to work to identify bed bugs and provide thorough inspections of schools.

If you have any questions regarding bed bugs within your school, please contact your school Principal. If you have any questions, regarding bed bugs found in your home, please contact the KGBSD Nurse, Arizona Jacobs, at (907) 228-0426.

Sincerely,

Beth Lougee KGBSD Superintendent 333 Schoenbar Road Ketchikan, AK 99901