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TO: PARENTS OF ALL WELDING STUDENTS

It has come to my attention that some students in the welding program may be wearing contact lenses while in the welding lab. I need to warn against the wearing of contact lenses. Dirt could become trapped between the lens and the eye causing damage to the eye, as well as the possibility of the lens fusing to the eye if a student were to accidentally flash his/herself by looking at the intense light created by the arc without the proper protective equipment.

It is not possible for the Welding Instructor to know which students may be wearing contact lenses so we are asking for your help. Please do NOT allow your child to wear contact lenses into the welding lab. Additionally, if your child has prescription glasses, the lenses need to be made from safety glass or your child will be required to wear safety glasses over his/her prescription glasses.

Thank you for your assistance with this very important safety issue.

Sincerely,

Michael A. Lucas
Administrative Director

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cc: Mr. Schmidt, Welding Instructor