

Dear Parents and School Employees,

Asbestos is an issue we have been dealing with for many years. The Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act of 1986 (referred to as AHERA) was enacted by Congress to determine the extent of and develop solutions for any problems schools may have with asbestos.

To give you some background, asbestos was used as a building material for many years. It is a naturally occurring mineral that is mined primarily in Canada, South Africa and the U.S.S.R. Asbestos' properties made it an ideal building material for insulating, sound absorption, decorative plasters, fireproofing, and a variety of miscellaneous uses. There have been over 3,000 different products made using asbestos materials. The EPA began action to limit uses of asbestos products in 1973 and most uses of asbestos products as building materials were banned in 1978.

In July of 1988 we had our facilities inspected by a certified asbestos inspector, as required by AHERA. The inspector located, sampled and rated the condition and hazard potential of all material in our facilities suspected of containing asbestos. The inspection and laboratory analysis records were turned over to a professional certified to develop asbestos management plans.

Damaged friable surface material has been found in the sprayed-on acoustical ceilings in the classrooms, offices, halls, and non-friable material is contained in the floor tiles in the High School.

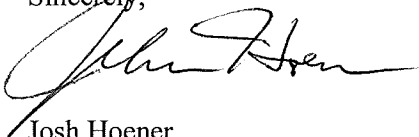
The response plan developed by the inspectors called for the ceilings to be painted in order to contain the damaged friable materials. The damaged friable areas of the ceilings were painted along with the rest of the ceilings as part of our routine maintenance program. The ceilings will be monitored carefully and any new damage, which may occur, will be repaired immediately. No action is required on the non-friable materials in the floor tiles.

The management plan for our facilities includes the following: this notification letter which is an annual requirement; education and training of our employees; a set of plans and procedures designed to minimize the disturbance of the asbestos containing materials; and plans for the regular surveillance of the asbestos containing material.

A copy of the asbestos management plan is available for your inspection in our administrative offices during regular office hours. Mr. Bob Bratcher, supervisor of maintenance, is our asbestos program manager and all inquiries regarding the plan should be directed to him.

We have been implementing the asbestos management plan. We are intent on complying with or exceeding federal, state and local regulations in this area.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Josh Hoener", written in a cursive style.

Josh Hoener
Superintendent