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In 1986, Congress passed the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA). The law requires all schools, kindergarten through twelfth grade, to be inspected to identify any asbestos-containing building materials. The law further requires the development of a Management Plan that is based upon the findings of the inspection and outlines our intent to control the potential for exposure to asbestos fibers in our school. In the past, asbestos was used extensively in building materials because of its insulating and fire retardant capabilities. Virtually any building built before the late 1970's contains at least some asbestos.

Federal law requires schools to be re-inspected every six months by the school maintenance personnel. A visual inspection from an outside company, EA Group, takes place every 3 years. Our re-inspection by EA Group took place in 2020, and will occur again in 2023. An updated Management Plan is on file in the principal's office of the school for your review along with the bi-annual inspections.

In addition, we are required to notify all employees and school advisory councils on an annual basis to make them aware of the AHERA program and the location of the specific management plans for each school. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Mrs. R. Capotosto  
Interim Principal