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Dear Students, Families, and Staff,

In 1986, Congress enacted the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA). AHERA requires school districts to identify asbestos-containing building materials (ACBM) in their school buildings and take appropriate actions to control the release of asbestos fibers.

In compliance with AHERA regulations, we had our school facilities inspected by EPA accredited and Pennsylvania-certified building inspectors during the 2020-2021 school year. As per the AHERA, every three years, a re-inspection by an accredited inspector must be conducted on all friable and non-friable known or assumed ACBM to determine whether the condition of the ACBM has changed and to make recommendations on managing and/or removing the ACBM.

The results of the inspection have confirmed the presence of ACBM in portions of the attic space of the school facilities. **It is important to note that the ACBM identified in survey are in forms, conditions, and/or locations, that are not accessible and do not pose a health threat to students, faculty or employees.**

With confirmation of the presence of ACBM, an Asbestos Management Plan was developed for our school by an EPA accredited and Pennsylvania-certified management planner. The Management Plan includes the inspection and physical assessment reports, the training program for our custodial and maintenance personnel, the plans and procedures to be followed to minimize disturbance of the ACBM, and a program for regular surveillance of the ACBM.

As per AHERA, periodic inspections of the identified materials must take place twice a year by qualified personnel to check the condition of the asbestos and to determine if any action is needed. During the 2021-2022 school year, these periodic inspections will be conducted in the winter and spring.

You are welcome to review a copy of the Asbestos Management Plan in our school administrative office during regular office hours. Mr. Ramzy Andrawos, our Director of Operations is our asbestos program coordinator and all inquiries regarding the plan should be directed to him at 215-238-8000.

Thank you,

CEO Tanya