

Corry Area School District's Annual AHERA Notification

Dear Parents, Students, Employees, and Visitors:

In 1986, Congress passed the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) which requires schools to be inspected to identify any asbestos-containing building materials. Suspected asbestos-containing building materials were initially located, sampled (or assumed), tested and rated according to condition and potential hazard. Every three years our school buildings are required to be re-inspected to determine if any known or suspected asbestos-containing building materials have changed and to make recommendations on managing or removing them.

The law further requires an asbestos management plan be developed to monitor any known or suspected asbestos-containing building materials. The plan has several ongoing requirements: this notification letter announcing the availability of the management plans for anyone to review upon request, training of the maintenance and custodial staff about asbestos and how to deal with it, notifying short term workers such as subcontractors of the locations of any known or suspected asbestos-containing building materials, and posting of warning signs in routine maintenance areas where asbestos was previously identified or assumed, follow set plans and procedures designed to minimize the disturbance of asbestos-containing building materials, and survey the condition of these materials every six months to assure that they remain in good condition.

It is the intention of the Corry Area School District to comply with all federal and state regulations controlling asbestos and to take whatever steps are necessary to ensure students and employees a healthy and safe environment in which to learn and work.

All inquiries regarding the asbestos plans and asbestos-related issues should be directed to:

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