

Twin Lakes #4 School District
Annual Asbestos Notification

As a result of the federal law AHERA (Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act) all primary and secondary schools are required to develop and implement a plan for managing all building materials which contain asbestos. Included in the AHERA Act is the requirement to notify all parents, guardians and staff members, as well as organizations representing them, of activities and events involving asbestos containing building materials annually.

Asbestos has been used in many building materials due to its outstanding insulating and strengthening properties. When asbestos is undisturbed or intact, it poses little hazard to human health. The school district has a management plan designed to maintain all asbestos containing materials intact.

Once every three years, certified inspectors must re-inspect remaining materials. In addition, the rule requires a periodic walk-through (called "surveillance") in each area containing asbestos every six months.

Within the last year, the School District has not conducted planned asbestos removal.

In addition, Operations and Maintenance work has been carried out at all of buildings as needed. The School District also requires that all new building materials introduced into the buildings are free from asbestos. For all new buildings/additions, the architect responsible for the design certifies that to the best of their knowledge, no asbestos containing materials are used. If new buildings are acquired, they too will be inspected.

The School District has a list of the location(s) and type(s) of asbestos containing materials found in the building.. A copy of the Asbestos Management Plan is available for review in the School District office as well as individual school offices. Our goal is to be in full compliance with AHERA. It is our policy to maintain a safe and healthful environment for our students and staff members. This shall be accomplished by strict enforcement of the policies regarding asbestos by the asbestos designated person and the school officials.