

ASBESTOS MONITORING AND NOTIFICATION

The Anamosa Community School District is required by law to provide annual notification regarding asbestos and the monitoring of our asbestos plan.

The Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act of 1986 (referred to as AHERA) was enacted to determine the extent of and to develop solutions for any problems schools may have with asbestos.

Thomas E. Haas, a licensed Asbestos Inspector/Management Planner conducted his annual re-inspection our school district's facilities. He located and rated the condition and hazard potential of known and suspect asbestos-containing materials. He has updated our district's Asbestos Management Plan based on previous repairs and removals.

We have implemented our District's Asbestos Management Plan. It is the District's responsibility to comply with federal, state, and local regulations governing asbestos. We plan on taking those steps necessary to ensure that our children and our employees have a healthy, safe environment in which to learn and work. This annual notification, education and training of our employees, a set of plans and procedures to minimize the disturbance of the asbestos-containing materials, and plans for regular six-month surveillance of the asbestos-containing materials, are all part of our continuing efforts to meet governmental regulations (AHERA).

The District trained staff have performed periodic surveillance of our facilities, at least once every six months. During the summer of 2008, we had all asbestos materials removed from the tunnels at Strawberry Hill Elementary School. While we do not have any plans to remove any more asbestos-containing materials in the immediate future, our District does plan to continue with the six month surveillances, training, annual notifications and remove asbestos-containing materials as needed.

A copy of the district's Asbestos Management Plan is available for inspection at our District Administrative Offices during regular school hours. All inquiries regarding the Asbestos Management Plan should be directed to the Superintendent of Anamosa Community Schools at 319-462-4321.