To: All School Personnel, Parents and Other Interested Parties

From: Brian Schlegel, Facilities Manager

Date: September 1, 2017

Re: Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA)

On October 22, 1986, President Reagan signed into law an amendment to the Toxic Substance Control Act requiring schools to determine the presence of asbestos containing building materials in all school buildings. That amendment, called the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) required that all school buildings be visually inspected by accredited inspectors and that bulk samples of suspected materials are taken where the material was not assumed to be asbestos. It further required that management plans be created for each individual building and that the maintenance and custodial personnel receive training. The plan must be implemented and the training must be completed by July 9, 1989. This document is the Asbestos Management Plan which provides the means and the methods to effectively deal with asbestos containing building materials.

The U.S. EPA Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA under the Federal Code of Regulation 40 CFR 763.93G (4) requires that building occupants be notified annually of the presence of asbestos in the building and availability of the Asbestos Management Plan. A copy of the Management Plan is available for review in the School’s Office or at the Office of the Superintendent through the Facilities Manager.

The Management Plan identifies the types and locations of asbestos containing materials in the school buildings and identifies inspections, sampling data and response actions taken by the District. All phases of asbestos inspection and management planning are reported in this plan including: response action strategy, priorities, scheduling of abatement activities, coordination of personnel and evaluation of the results. The plan has an additional function as a reporting document to that State. At the local level, the plan must be made available for general review by the school district.

The AHERA management plan for all school buildings is complete. The Concord Public Schools completed the required (3) year re-inspections and the reports are available for review.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any question regarding this memorandum.

CC: John Flaherty
    Laurie Hunter