



HAMPDEN CHARTER SCHOOL OF SCIENCE WEST

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Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) Annual Notification Letter

Dear Parents, Students, Legal Guardians, and Employees:

In 1986, Congress passed the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) which requires schools to be inspected to identify any asbestos containing building materials. Hampden Charter Schools were inspected and suspect materials were sampled by licensed site inspectors. Asbestos-materials conditions were rated according to EPA AHERA protocols. Every three years, Hampden Charter Schools are required to be re-inspected to determine any known or suspected asbestos-containing buildings materials (ACBM) has changed and recommendations are made on the managing or abatement of the ACBM.

The law further requires an asbestos management plan to be developed and implemented to monitor any known or suspected ACBM. The plan has several ongoing requirements: publish a notification on management plan availability and the status of asbestos activities; educate and train its employees about asbestos and how to deal with it; notify short-term or temporary workers on the locations of the asbestos containing building materials; post warning labels 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 Hampden Charter School of Science West 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. You are welcome to review a copy of the asbestos management plan in the school administrative office during regular business hours.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact me at the number listed below.

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