

Asbestos Notification

As a result of recent federal legislation, (Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act- AHERA), each primary and secondary school in the nation is required to complete a stringent new inspection for asbestos and to develop a plan of management for all asbestos-containing building materials. Fisher Public School has a goal to be in full compliance with this law and is following the spirit, as well as the letter of the law. As a matter of policy, Fisher Public School shall continue to maintain a safe and healthful environment for our community's youth and employees.

In keeping with this legislation, all buildings (including portables and support buildings) owned or leased by the school district were inspected by EPA accredited inspectors and samples were analyzed by an independent laboratory. Based on the inspection the school prepared and the state approved a comprehensive management plan for handling the asbestos located within its buildings safely and responsibly.

Furthermore, Fisher Public School has completed its three-year Reinspection required by AHERA. The Fisher Public School building, where asbestos-containing materials were found, is under repair, removal and Operations and Maintenance.

This past year, Fisher Public School District implemented our Operations and Maintenance Program with respect to its asbestos containing building materials.

Federal law requires a periodic walk-through (called "surveillance"), every six months of each are containing asbestos. Also the law requires for all buildings to be reinspected three years after a management plan is in effect. This will be accomplished under contract by MacNeil Environmental, Inc.

Short-term workers (outside contractors- i.e. telephone repair workers, electricians and exterminators) must be provided information regarding the location of asbestos in which they come into contact. All short-term workers shall contact the lead maintenance person before commencing work to be given this information.

Fisher Public School has a list of the location(s), type(s) of asbestos-containing materials found in that school building and a description and timetable for their proper management. A copy of the Asbestos Management Plan is available for review in the school office. Copies are 25 cents per page. Questions related to the plan should be directed to MacNeil Environmental, Inc., Burnsville, Minnesota, at 612-890-3452, extension 241.