



SUBJECT: Annual Notification - Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA)

In 1986, Congress passed the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA). One requirement of AHERA is to notify in writing parent, teacher, and employee organizations of the availability of the asbestos Management Plan at each facility. This notification provides information of Poudre School District's (PSD) compliance to AHERA.

The law requires all schools, kindergarten through twelfth grade, to be inspected for Asbestos Containing Building Materials (ACBM). The law further required the development of a Management Plan (completed in 1989) outlining the District's intent on controlling and managing any ACBM in PSD facilities.

The Management Plan includes an operations and maintenance program developed for PSD schools. This program is the primary foundation by which the District will control exposure to any asbestos-containing materials through a systematic schedule of monitoring, employee training, recordkeeping and periodic reinspections. Building Maintenance and Custodial Services staff receive asbestos awareness training to qualify them to conduct their routine activities around asbestos.

PSD has maintained strict compliance with AHERA and will continue to do so. Abatement of ACBM in will continue on an as needed basis contingent of building remodeling, retrofitting, and maintenance of disturbed ACBM. Removal projects are designed and put out to bid by a qualified contractor.

A copy of the Management Plan is available for review in the Energy & Environmental Management Department in the Operations Center. Copies of individual building Management Plans are available for review at each school site. Questions pertaining to asbestos are to be directed to John Holcombe, Environmental Safety Coordinator at 490-3497.