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## SUBJECT: Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA)

On October 22, 1986, President Reagan signed into law an amendment to the Toxic Substances 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 accredited inspectors visually inspect all school buildings and that bulk samples of suspected materials be tested. It further required that management plans be created for each individual building and that the maintenance and custodial personnel receive training. This document is the Asbestos Management Plan, which provides the means and methods to effectively deal with asbestos containing building materials.

All phases of asbestos inspection and management planning are reported in this plan including: response action strategy, priorities, scheduling of abatement activities and coordination of personnel and evaluation of results. The plan has an addition function as a reporting document to the state. At a local level, the plan must be made available for general review by the school district.

Please feel free to call me regarding this memo or the location of your buildings plan.

