SUBJECT: Annual BPS Asbestos Notification For School Year 2023-2024

August 31, 2023

Dear Boston Public Schools Community,

It is our top priority to create safe and healthy environments for all of our students and staff in every school.

The federal Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) requires public school districts to inspect schools for asbestos-containing building material, prepare management plans, and to take action to prevent or reduce asbestos hazards in schools.

A copy of your school’s annual AHERA Management Plan is available in the school's Main Office during school hours. The plan can be found in a 3-ring binder marked “AHERA Management Plan”.

The BPS Notification will be posted on the BPS website and updated in the AHERA Management Plan during the Six-Month AHERA Periodic Surveillance survey. Also, the annual 2-Hour Custodial Asbestos Awareness Training will be updated in the AHERA Management Plan during the Six-Month AHERA Periodic Surveillance survey.

The district continues to monitor, update, and improve each school’s AHERA Management Plan. Any inquiries regarding the management of asbestos-containing materials in BPS schools should be directed to the district’s AHERA designated contact person, Maria F.Carvalho, Chief Environmental Technician, who can be reached at mcarvalho2@bostonpublicschools.org or 617-635-8300.

Thank you,

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