

Annual AHERA Notifications to Employees and Parents

Sussex County Vocational Technical School District Asbestos Notification

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AHERA Management is available for review in the District office. Please call ahead to view during normal operational hours, 8AM to 4PM Monday through Friday with the exception of holidays.

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The Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) requires schools to “ensure that workers and building occupants, or their legal guardians, are informed at least once each school year about inspections, response actions, and post-response action activities, including periodic reinspection and surveillance activities that are planned or in progress (763.84(c)). Such notification must be done in writing and a copy placed in the management plan. Suggested notification methods may be through the publication of an article in a school district newsletter or through a separate written notice distributed to staff and sent home to a student’s parent or legal guardian.

In addition, schools “shall make management plans available for inspection to representatives of EPA and the State, the public, including parents, teachers, and other school personnel within 5 working days after receiving a request for inspection” (763.93(g)(3)). Furthermore, “the local education agency shall notify in writing parent, teacher, and employee organizations of the availability of management plans and shall include in the management plan a description of steps to notify such organizations, and a dated copy of the notification. In the absence of any such organizations for parents, teachers, or employees, the local education agency shall provide written notice to that relevant group of the availability of management plans and shall include in the management plan a description of the steps taken to notify such groups and a dated copy of the notification” (763.93(g)(4)).