

**GROTON BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SPECIAL MEETING  
DECEMBER 7, 2020 @ 7:30 P.M.  
REMOTE MEETING**

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Mission Statement: Our mission is teaching and learning.

Board Goals: (1) Provide Dynamic Rigorous Curriculum, (2) Ensure Effective and Engaging Instruction,  
(3) Embrace Excellent Learning Environment

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Discussion & possible action re: Fitch High School's Asbestos Abatement Educational Specifications (Attachment #1)  
  
MOTION: To approve Fitch High School's Asbestos Abatement Educational Specifications
- III. Adjournment

**EDUCATIONAL SPECIFICATIONS  
ASBESTOS FLOOR TILE REMOVAL  
ROBERT E. FITCH HIGH SCHOOL  
GROTON, CONNECTICUT  
NOVEMBER 2020**

## Educational Specifications Asbestos Tile Removal and Replacement Robert E. Fitch High School

### Project Rationale

Groton plans to continue to operate Fitch High School (FHS) in its current capacity indefinitely. It is a goal of Groton Public Schools to maintain Fitch High School as well as all other district schools in good condition to protect the Town's investment and to provide a safe and healthy learning environment for our learning community. To comply with this goal, the worn out and defect asbestos floor tile must be removed and replaced.

### Long-Range Plan

The long-range plan for FHS includes removal and replacement of defective asbestos containing floor tile. Groton remains in compliance with State requirements to monitor the condition of asbestos floor tile through regular inspection and repair when needed. The tile is now delaminating from the concrete floor and to crack in places at an increasing rate. It is no longer cost effective to maintain the tile in compliant conditions with small removal and replacement projects. Unless addressed, the condition of the tile will be in violation of the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act. As such Groton is required to remediate the asbestos containing floor tile at FHS.

### The Project

This project will include the following components:

- Test all floor tile and mastic throughout FHS for asbestos content.
- Remove identified asbestos containing tile and mastic under controlled conditions in strict compliance with State and Federal regulations.
- Monitor the site both inside and outside both before, during and after remediation.
- Dispose of asbestos containing material properly.
- Install new non-asbestos containing floor tile.

### Interior

- All equipment, furniture, supplies and other materials will be removed from all spaces to be remediated and stored in a suitable location.
- After remediation, the contractor is required to clean all spaces.
- After abatement is complete and Groton can reoccupy the space, furniture, equipment and supplies will be returned.