



# Gresham-Barlow School District 10 Jt.

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## **SUBJECT: Annual Asbestos Update**

Dear Parent or Guardian, Staff & Building Occupants of the Gresham-Barlow School District:

In 1986 Congress enacted the Asbestos Hazardous Emergency Response Act (AHERA) in schools throughout the nation. Under this act it became the responsibility of all school districts in the nation to identify and begin maintaining and monitoring all asbestos containing building materials (ACBM) in each of their facilities. In 1987 the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) finalized a regulatory program which enforces AHERA. As maintaining a safe environment for our students, staff and patrons remains one of our highest priorities here in the Gresham-Barlow School District, it has been and continues to be our goal to comply strictly with all provisions provided under the AHERA act.

Our district Asbestos Management Plan (AMP) is located in the Facilities Department office at 2020 SE Fleming Ave. Each school's individual AMP is located in the main office of that facility. Not all of the Gresham-Barlow schools contain ACBM, the following schools do not: Center for Advanced Learning, Clear Creek Middle School, East Gresham Elementary, Hogan Cedar Elementary, Kelly Creek Elementary, North Gresham Elementary and Spring Water Trail High School. The remaining 13 schools throughout the district do have various amounts of ACBM.

During the course of the year the AMP at each school with ACBM are modified to reflect a periodic surveillance inspection that occurs twice during the year and checks on the condition of the asbestos throughout our district. And every three years there is a EPA mandated, third party comprehensive re-inspection of the District's ACBM.

Additional changes to the AMP will also be made when a repair or removal is made within the areas of our facilities that have ACBM. This work is done by a licensed and bonded Asbestos abatement contractor and all EPA mandatory safety precautions and procedures are taken during these projects and a complete accounting of the change is placed into the AMP on site as well as at the district Facilities Department office.

Should you wish to review the status of asbestos in a particular school building or the overall status within the district, please feel free to contact Terry Taylor, Director of Facilities (503) 258-4700 or the Principal of the school in which you are interested.

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