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## **Ashe County Schools Annual Environmental Notification**

### **Asbestos Management Plan Notification**

In compliance with the EPA's Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA), Ashe County Schools provides this annual notification to inform parents, guardians, staff, and employee organizations of the availability of each school's Asbestos Management Plan.

These plans identify asbestos-containing materials (ACBM), inspection findings, and any actions taken or planned. Schools are required to conduct an initial inspection and re-inspect every three years. Periodic surveillance is also conducted every six months.

Management plans are available for review at each school and the Ashe County Schools Central Office. Copies will be made available within five (5) working days of a request.

### **Pest Management Plan Notification**

As part of Ashe County Schools' Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Plan, we notify parents and guardians at least 72 hours in advance when pest control treatments beyond routine maintenance are scheduled. Routine maintenance treatments (e.g., bait stations) do not require notification.

Notifications are sent through the school's automated phone messaging system (phone blast) to all families of students at the affected school. This ensures timely communication regarding any planned applications of insecticides, rodenticides, or other pest control measures.

If you have questions, please contact your school leadership team. This practice is a formal part of the district's IPM Plan and is reviewed annually.

### **For questions or to request access to the Asbestos Management Plan:**

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