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Ventura Unified
SCHOOL DISTRICT

ANNUAL ASBESTOS NOTIFICATION
2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

Under AHERA (Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act), all primary and secondary schools are required to develop and implement a plan for managing all building materials which contain asbestos. Included in the AHERA Act is the requirement to provide annual notification to parent, teacher, and employee organizations on the availability of the school's asbestos management plan and any asbestos related actions taken or planned in the school.

Beginning in 1988, all buildings owned, leased, or under the control of the School District were inspected by EPA accredited inspectors and building material samples were collected and analyzed by an independent laboratory. Based on the inspection, the School District prepared and the state approved a comprehensive Asbestos Management Plan for each school site.

Ventura Unified School District updates and maintains an Asbestos Management Plan for each school. As part of this plan , we have conducted and will continue to conduct semiannual inspections and test to ensure that asbestos materials remain in safe condition and do not become a health hazard. In addition, Facilities personnel, including custodial, trades and grounds staff, have completed a yearly awareness training. Facilities employees do no abate asbestos. If you suspect that asbestos containing materials have been disturbed, please call Facilities Services immediately so we can properly review the area in question.

This year, Home Biotesting Inc, will be performing the required triennial AHERA reinspection of school sites. This information will be updated in the Asbestos Management Plans upon completion.

During the last 24/25 school year, Facilities Services and the Bond Program have performed asbestos abatement at various buildings on VUSD campuses as part of the on going construction and demolition to improve campus facilities. Abatement occurred at the following sites:

- Cabrillo M.S. Roofing project
- Cabrillo girls locker room to facilitate a repair

- Poinsettia E.S. Roofing project
- DATA M.S. Roofing project
- Montalvo E.S. flooring and HVAC projects
- Ventura HS Room 26
- Buena HS Admin Office
- Portola E.S. Roofing Project

Future asbestos management activities are planned for HVAC, flooring and roofing projects, consistent with our commitment to maintain a safe environment for students, staff, and visitors.

All asbestos-related work is performed by certified consultants and State-licensed contractors registered with Cal/OSHA. Certified asbestos consultants conduct material testing and prepare a work plan for each abatement project. Asbestos removal is completed by State-licensed contractors in full compliance with current EPA and OSHA regulations. Final inspections and clearance testing are also conducted by a certified asbestos consultant.

Asbestos Management Plans are available for review by any interested party through the Director of Facilities at the Facilities Services Office, 359 S. Victoria Ave., Ventura, CA 93003, (805) 289-7981, or by contacting the school site during normal business hours. The District is currently in the process of digitizing these plans to place on the districts website to provide easier access in the future.