

Asbestos Information

Parents & Employees of Independent School District 740

From: Tom Rich, Asbestos Program Manager

Subject: Presence of asbestos in District 740 school buildings

Our schools have been inspected for asbestos under the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act of 1986 (AHERA). Some asbestos-containing building materials (ACBM) were found in the building. A management plan detailing the location and description of the asbestos-containing building materials (ACBM) has been submitted to the Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) and is available for your inspection at the Superintendent's Office.

- The person designated as Asbestos Program Manager for our school is Supt. Rich, Melrose Area Public Schools, 256-5160
- Problem areas in this building and the response actions planned by the school are summarized below.
- Asbestos here will be observed and maintained until it can be removed.

Melrose Area High School Building: Tunnels, boiler room, above ceilings, and floor tile.

These areas will be kept under observation and we will schedule for removal. Warning labels have been attached to ACBM only in routine maintenance areas such as the furnace room. Please heed these labels and do not allow them to be removed or misplaced.

Asbestos-containing areas will be kept under surveillance for change or damage. If you notice any change or damage to areas identified as asbestos-containing, please notify the Asbestos Program Manager above at once. In addition to periodic surveillance (at least every 6 months), the school will be re-inspected by a certified asbestos inspector every three years.

Short-term workers, such as telephone workers or plumbers, as well as school employees who will be working in ACBM areas will be informed of any potential danger.