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RE: AHERA Letter to Parents and Students

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In the past, asbestos was used extensively in building materials because of its insulating, sound absorbing, and fire retarding capabilities. Virtually any building constructed before the late 1970s contained some asbestos. Intact and undisturbed asbestos materials generally do not pose a health risk. Asbestos materials, however, can become hazardous when, due to damage or deterioration over time, they release fibers.

The law requires an asbestos management plan to be in place, effective as of July 1989. As required, *Mid-Del Public Schools* developed a plan which has been continually updated since that time. The plan has several ongoing requirements, *including an obligation to publish a notification on management plan availability and the status of asbestos activities,* among many other requirements.

It is the intention of *Mid-Del Public Schools* to comply with all federal and state regulations controlling asbestos and to take whatever steps are necessary to ensure students and employees a healthy and safe environment in which to learn and work. As such, you are welcome to distribute copies of the asbestos management letter or, as a district cost saving measure, to simply refer parents to the letter as posted on the Mid-Del website. This decision is completely at your own discretion.

As always, the district's full asbestos management plan is available for viewing in Mid-Del Maintenance Dept. office, during regular business hours. Ray Clark, Maintenance Dept. Supervisor, is our designated asbestos program coordinator. All inquiries regarding the asbestos plan and asbestos-related issues may be directed to him at the Mid-Del Maintenance Dept., (405)739-1640.