

TO: Parents/Guardians, Students & Employees

FROM: Josh NB See, Director of Transportation and Facilities

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RE: Asbestos in Hardy County Schools

The Hardy County Board of Education continues to monitor and manage building materials found to contain asbestos in compliance with the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act. All six Hardy County school building have been tested and are believed to be asbestos free. Inspections have been made by qualified inspectors of all buildings used by the Board of Education.

The floor tile and exterior wall panels in the Central Office of the Hardy County Board of Education Office contain asbestos. A Management Plan has been developed by Accredited Planners to insure that the asbestos materials found will not become a health hazard to the occupants of these buildings. The Management Plan is on file in the Principals' office of the schools and in the Central Office of the Hardy County Board of Education for public review.

Asbestos in building materials is not hazardous as long as it is properly maintained so it does not become friable (crumbling and dusty). Regular inspections are conducted by the Program Manager and the State Health Department to insure that all building materials that contain asbestos are maintained properly so it does not become a hazard to human health.

If you have any questions concerning asbestos in the schools, please contact Josh See, Director of Transportation and Facilities, Hardy County Board of Education, 510 Ashby Street, Moorefield, WV 26836, or call (304) 530-2348 ext. 9233.