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Dear Parents, Students and Staff:

Asbestos is an issue we have been dealing with for many years. The Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act of 1986 (now referred to as AHERA) was enacted in Congress to determine the problems schools may have with asbestos and to develop solutions to these problems.

To give you some background, asbestos has been used as a building material for many years. It is a naturally occurring mineral that is mined primarily in Canada, South Africa, and the U.S.S.R. Asbestos's properties made it an ideal building material for insulation, sound absorption, decorative plasters, fireproofing, and a variety of miscellaneous uses. In 1973 there were over 3,000 different products made from asbestos products. Most uses of asbestos products for building materials were banned in 1978.

Our efforts to meet AHERA regulations include this notification letter, education and training of our faculty and employees, plans and procedures to minimize the disturbance of asbestos containing materials, and plan for removal, repair, and surveillance of asbestos containing materials.

Mark Hogan of CFM Environmental is our Asbestos Designated Person. A copy of the asbestos management plan is available in our administrative offices and at CFM Environmental, Dubuque, Iowa. All inquires regarding the plan should be directed to Mark Hogan at (563) 583-0808.

We have implemented the asbestos management plan. It is our intent to comply with federal, state, and local regulations. We plan to take all necessary steps to insure that your children and our employees have a healthy and safe environment in which to learn and work.

Sincerely,

Kristin Kriener  
Principal