

Dear Parent, Teachers, & Members of the Organizations:

EPA requires that parents, teachers and other staff be notified every year about response actions we are taking to safely maintain the asbestos containing material (ACM) in our facilities. The Board has retained High Environmental Health & Safety Consulting Ltd. an environmental consultant company, to manage the ACM which remains in place within our buildings. The Board has implemented a comprehensive operations and maintenance program designed to prevent building occupants from exposure to asbestos fibers.

Asbestos is the generic term for naturally occurring fibrous minerals (rock) which are mined from the ground and used in various products because of their resiliency and isolative qualities. When intact and undisturbed, ACM does not release asbestos fibers, so no asbestos becomes airborne. When no fibers are airborne, no hazard from the asbestos exists. A key part of the operations and maintenance plan calls for re-inspecting all ACM on a semi-annual and three year basis. This insures that any ACM which is beginning to deteriorate can be immediately identified and properly addressed. A thorough inspection was recently conducted by High Environmental Health & Safety Consulting Ltd.

A copy of all inspection reports are filed in the asbestos management plan and are available for your review. You are welcome to review these reports and the management plans, which are located in each building.

Robert Hunter Director of Planning, Operations & Facilities

CC: Maintenance, Custodians, Cafeteria