



Annual Notifications from Buildings and Grounds

2018-2019 School Year

• **Asbestos: Annual Notification of Availability of the Management Plan and Related Activities**

The Management Plan is available for viewing by interested parties, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Principal's Office at each school site. Copies of the management plan are available from the District for nominal cost. The Asbestos Emergency Response Act (AHERA) requires that each school district notify parents, guardians, and staff annually regarding asbestos-related activities. All of the Buffalo-Hanover-Montrose School District buildings have been inspected for asbestos-containing materials according to AHERA protocol, using accredited inspectors.

As required by Federal law, the condition of asbestos in our school is surveyed every six months as part of an ongoing operations and maintenance program. The most recent survey was completed in June 2017. A comprehensive inspection is conducted every three years. The latest three-year inspection was completed in December 2014. Concerns identified from these inspections are remedied by professional asbestos abatement contractors in a timely manner. The remaining asbestos in the district buildings will remain unless its condition deteriorates, or it becomes necessary due to renovation. ISD 877 has on file a complete and updated management plan dealing with asbestos containing building material (ACBM) within the School District's Buildings. The management plan is available for viewing by interested parties, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Principal's office at each school site. If you have any questions or concerns, please address them to the District "Designated Person" for asbestos management, John Heltunen, Director of Buildings and Grounds, at 763.682.8773.

• **Janet B. Johnson, Parents Right-To-Know Act, August 2003**

A Minnesota state law went into effect in the year 2000 that requires schools to inform school employees and parents if they apply pesticides on school property.

Specifically, this law requires schools that apply these pesticides to maintain an estimated schedule of pesticide applications and to make the schedule available to employees and parents for review or copy at each school's office. If you would like to be notified prior to pesticide applications made on days other than those specified in the estimated schedule (excluding emergency applications), please contact John Heltunen at 763.682.8773.

The long-term health effects on children from the application of such pesticides or the class of chemicals to which they belong may not be fully understood.

ISD 877 is continuing to work closely with its health and safety resources to comply with integrated pest management guidelines. If you have any questions or concerns, please address them to John Heltunen, Director of Buildings and Grounds.

• **Indoor Air Quality Management Plan**

As an additional requirement by the Department of Education, ISD 877 has developed and implemented an Indoor Air Quality Management Plan that addresses indoor air quality issues throughout the District. Walkthroughs and inspections of the buildings are performed annually to detect current problems and prevent future problems from occurring. Information is also available from the Minnesota Department of Health at <http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/indoorair/schools/index.html>. If you have any questions or concerns regarding indoor air quality, please contact the District's IAQ Coordinator, John Heltunen.

