

ANNUAL NOTICE OF ASBESTOS PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

The South Lane School District continues to pursue a program for asbestos management that was developed in 1988 to satisfy a federal mandate, which is enforced by the State of Oregon.

The Federal Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) required an initial inspection for friable (more easily released) and non-friable asbestos. The District hired a qualified, independent contractor to inspect all areas of all district facilities. The inspection was completed on October 1, 1988, and the results were included in a management plan written by an accredited management planner. The plan, submitted to the Department of Education, also included a maintenance program to repair, remove, enclose or manage asbestos and asbestos containing materials wherever present in the District.

The goal of the SLSD Asbestos Management Plan is to comply with the AHERA guidelines and ensure that our school buildings remain safe and free from asbestos hazards. The ongoing management plan required by AHERA includes twice-annual inspections at all locations where materials containing asbestos are known to be present. Any necessary actions or changes in the condition of such materials are then noted in the Asbestos Management Plan for each location.

A certified consultant from PBS Engineering and Environmental will perform the required AHERA 3-year re-inspection in September 2021. For the 2019-2020 school year London Elementary School had asbestos abatement when the custodial closet wallboard was removed and Lincoln Middle School had asbestos abatement during the front office remodel and the seismic upgrade.

SLSD maintenance and custodial employees receive initial and continuing training regarding AHERA and asbestos management. The District may contract with a licensed contractor to perform required work or training in accordance with the AHERA program.

A complete Asbestos Management Plan is available for review at each school office or the South Lane School District Service Center. These plans include all inspection reports with analysis, and a record of all management or maintenance actions taken on asbestos-containing materials. The plans can be reviewed during normal business hours.