ASBESTOS HAZARD EMERGENCY RESPONSE ACT (AHERA) Annual Notification

AHERA (40 Code of Federal Regulations 763) requires the Lawson R-XIV School District to inspect its buildings for asbestos, and to develop a management plan for those asbestos-containing materials that were located within its buildings. This initial inspection was completed in July of 1988. The law also requires a reinspection of these materials every three years. Lawson R-XIV School District is in compliance with these requirements.

Each of our school buildings has been inspected for asbestos-containing materials by EPA-accredited inspectors. The results of these inspections/reinspections are included in the management plans that are on file in each school's administrative office and at the district's main office.

Evidence suggests that the mere presence of asbestos in a building does not necessarily pose a hazard. Research indicates that unless asbestos is disturbed, allowing fibers to become entrained into the air, the potential health consequences appear to be negligible. Our goal is to control the disturbances of asbestos-containing materials and the release of fibers into the air in our schools.

During the past year Lawson R-XIV School District has conducted asbestos inspections as required by AHERA (40 Code of Federal Regulations 763). All asbestos materials in the district are in good condition and will continue to be managed as recommended in the district management plan.

Should you have any questions regarding the inspection/reinspection results, response actions taken or the management plans please contact the district office and ask for the asbestos program manager.

Roger Schmitz, Superintendent of Schools