Dear Parents, Guardians, and School Employees,

In 1986, Congress passed the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA). That law requires all schools, kindergarten through twelfth grade, to be inspected to identify any building materials that contain asbestos. Based upon the findings of the inspection, the law further requires the development of a Management Plan which outlines the methods that will be used to minimize potential fire exposure to asbestos fibers in our school.

In the past, asbestos was used extensively in building materials because of its capabilities in insulating, sound absorption, decorative plasters, fireproofing, and a variety of miscellaneous uses. Virtually any building built before the late 1970’s contains at least some asbestos. The primary concern arises when materials containing asbestos begin to deteriorate or become damaged.

Our school was inspected, and some asbestos containing material was identified. The management Plan outlines in detail the methods we are using to maintain the materials in a safe manner. A copy of the asbestos management plan is available for your inspection in our administrative offices during regular business hours. Our district has had people trained to successfully administer this program. I am our program administrator, and I have performed regular inspections every 6 months, beginning in January 2001.

We are continually working to make our building a safer place for everyone. Our intent is not only to comply with, but exceed federal, state, and local regulations with regard to ensuring a healthy and save environment for our employees and students.

Sincerely,

Eric Leuth

Head of Maintenance, Assumption High School