# GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOLS Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) 2023 Notification

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The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) requires that each year, district workers and building occupants receive notification about asbestos activities such as response actions and inspections. The purpose of this correspondence is to meet those requirements and familiarize you with the asbestos related activities that have been conducted at Grosse Pointe Public Schools during the last year.

### MANAGEMENT PLANS

In 1988, IEA conducted inspections in each Grosse Pointe Public School building to determine the presence of asbestoscontaining materials. The results of these inspections were incorporated into individual building Management Plans.

Each building's Management Plan is located within the Administrative Office within each individual school building with a copy of the Management Plan located at the Buildings & Ground Department. The Management Plans are available to members of the public for review. If interested in reviewing any of the District's Management Plans, please contact the Buildings & Grounds Department at (313) 432-3082.

### SURVEILLANCE ACTIVITIES

The AHERA regulation requires surveillance of the condition of asbestos-containing material (ACM) every six months and Reinspections every three years. The Reinspection's were conducted in March, 2023. The next Periodic Surveillance will be scheduled for later on this year. When completed, the Reinspection's and Periodic Surveillances will be incorporated as part of the Management Plans.

#### ASBESTOS ABATEMENT

During the Summer of 2022, Grosse Pointe Public Schools performed asbestos abatement in support of the 2018 Bond Issue renovation projects at Barnes Early Childhood Center, Kerby Elementary School, Mason Elementary School, Brownell Middle School, Pierce Middle School and North High School. During the Summer of 2023, asbestos abatement will be performed at Pierce Middle School, North High School and South High School.

It should be noted that when asbestos abatement needs to occur, Grosse Pointe Public Schools shall use only Michigan Licensed Asbestos Abatement Contractors and ensure that all air sampling is conducted using the District's environmental consulting firm. All documentation associated with asbestos abatement will be incorporated into the Management Plans and shall be available to the public for review.

Recently, Mr. Benjamin Matteson, the District's Director of Facilities, completed the asbestos Designated Person training. This training program provides Mr. Matteson with the knowledge necessary to act as the asbestos administrator for our District. Therefore, questions regarding asbestos removal projects or any asbestos related issues can be addressed by Mr. Matteson at (313) 432-3082.