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Dear Parents, Students, and Staff:

The **Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA)** was enacted in 1986 by Congress to determine the extent of and develop solutions for asbestos-related problems within our schools.

USD 489 has developed and affected an Asbestos Management Plan for all school facilities within the district. This plan meets all the requirements enacted by federal regulations.

The district began implementation of the Management Plan in January of 1989. A three-year re-inspection of all district facilities is required by federal regulation and is conducted by a certified asbestos inspector. A three-year re-inspection was done in 2010, and the next re-inspection is scheduled for spring 2013. Additionally, the district's Asbestos Program Manager conducts a semi-annual inspection. All asbestos conditions have been put into a non-friable state through removal or O&M repair. All repaired conditions will be managed in place through monitoring and inspections as indicated above. No additional removal is anticipated.

The Management Plan is available for your review in the main office of each school site and at the district's administrative office. All inquiries regarding the Management Plan will be directed to:

Mr. Francis Hammerschmidt, L.E.A., Asbestos Program Manager
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The district continues to welcome contact and comments from its patrons. We plan to take whatever steps necessary to ensure your children and employees of the district have a safe and healthy environment in which to learn and work.

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