

NORTHERN BURLINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parents, Guardians, Staff:

In the past, asbestos was used extensively in building materials because of its insulating, sound absorbing, and fire retarding capabilities. Virtually any building constructed before the late 1970s contained some asbestos. Intact and undisturbed asbestos materials generally do not pose a health risk. Asbestos materials, however, can become hazardous when, due to damage or deterioration over time, they release fibers. If the fibers are inhaled, they can lead to health problems, such as cancer and asbestosis.

In 1986, Congress passed the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA), which requires schools to be inspected to identify any asbestos containing building materials. Suspected asbestos-containing building materials were located, sampled (or assumed) and rated according to condition and potential hazard. Every three years, Northern Burlington County Regional School District has conducted a re-inspection to determine whether the condition of the known or assumed asbestos containing building materials (ACBM) has changed and to make recommendations on managing or removing the asbestos containing (or assumed to be asbestos-containing) were inspected and found to be in good condition.

The law further requires an asbestos management plan to be in place by July 1989. Northern Burlington County Regional School District developed a plan, as required, which has been continually updated. The plan has several ongoing requirements: publish a notification on management plan availability and the status of asbestos activities; educate and train its employee about asbestos and how to deal with it; notify short-term or temporary workers on the locations of the asbestos containing building materials; post warning labels in routine maintenance areas where asbestos was previously identified or assumed; follow set plans and procedures designed to minimize the disturbance of asbestos containing building materials and survey the condition of these materials every six months to assure that they remain in good condition.

The following buildings contain no asbestos-containing building materials; therefore no operations and maintenance programs or future inspections are required: Northern Burlington Middle School. Vinyl asbestos floor tile was removed from rooms 203 and 205 of the west building of the high school during the summer of 2005. During this summer we plan to continue with the floor replacement project in the west building of the high school and remove vinyl asbestos tile from classrooms in the 400 and 200 hallways.

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It is the intention of Northern Burlington County Regional School District to comply with all federal and state regulations controlling asbestos and to take whatever steps are necessary to ensure students and employees a healthy and safe environment in which to learn and work. You are welcome to review a copy of the asbestos management plan in the office of the facilities director during regular business hours. Mr. Michael Hoodak, of Briggs Associates is our designed asbestos program coordinator, and all inquiries regarding the asbestos plan and asbestos-related issues should be directed to Mr. Michael Hoodak at 609-298-5520.

Periodic Surveillance Report

Date of Periodic Surveillance: February 10, 2006

Building Name: Northern Burlington Regional High School

Address: 160 Mansfield Road East, Columbus, NJ 08022

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Donald Czehut". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "D" and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Donald Czehut
Director of Facilities