



## **Asbestos Notification**

The Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) was signed into law by Congress in 1986. AHERA is the statute that mandated the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) "Asbestos in Schools Rule." That Law requires all school buildings to be inspected in order to identify the presence of any asbestos-containing building materials. Subsequent to these inspections, it is required that an AHERA management plan is written to outline site-specific procedures for controlling potential exposure to asbestos fibers.

In accordance with AHERA, all Unified School District No. 286, Chautauqua County, State of Kansas buildings have been examined for asbestos-containing materials by EPA accredited inspectors. The individual building inspection reports are on file at each school's administrative office. Asbestos-Annual Notification to Employees, Students and Parents will be posted on USD 286 website.

USD 286 has asbestos containing materials in some buildings within the district. These areas are being managed and maintained according to 'AHERA' regulations. In addition, all asbestos containing material is being monitored every six months according to law. The areas presents no immediate danger to students and staff and will be maintained for an indefinite period of time. The district is in compliance with the 'EPA' and 'AHERA' rules and regulations and has the safety and well being of its students and staff uppermost in mind. All asbestos information is open to the public and is available in each principal's office. A master plan is located in the Central Office.

This report serves as the annual notification for the Unified School District No. 286, Chautauqua County, State of Kansas for the 2022-2023 school year.