



Asbestos Management Plan

Pursuant to Public Act 85-541, all school buildings are required to be regularly re-evaluated to determine if asbestos is present and if it poses a significant health hazard to the building's occupants. The following information regarding Asbestos Containing Material and the South Windsor Public Schools Asbestos Management Plan is required to be given to all staff and parents on an annual basis.

Asbestos Management Plan

The district's Asbestos Management Plan is approved by the Connecticut State Board of Education. Development involved:

1. Review of all building plans and specifications to identify possible asbestos containing materials.
2. Review of existing asbestos management files to obtain information and results of prior testing.
3. A foot by foot examination of all our buildings including hidden spaces above ceilings, crawl ways, tunnels, etc. to identify and, if needed, test materials suspected of containing asbestos. Inspection of all suspected materials for containment and/or encapsulation is made. Under this program, all material containing asbestos, whether friable or not, must be identified. This includes floor tile and transite.
4. Mapping of all areas.
5. Development of a plan to maintain all of these materials in a safe manner.

It should be noted that this detailed inspection found our buildings to be in a superior condition.

Training

The required training of all custodial and maintenance personnel is held annually during the April vacation period.

Inspection

Connecticut law requires a visual inspection every six (6) months of every area with asbestos containing material. Our policy is every other month. This is done on the first and second working days of every odd-numbered month.

Posting

Posting of information on asbestos is required in the administrative offices, custodian's office and teachers' workroom of each building. This posting must include the location of a copy of the management plan, a detailed map identifying the area containing asbestos, and certain Federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) publications.

Asbestos Files

The district has on file plans showing the location of asbestos in each building and the measures undertaken to comply with regulations in order to maintain a safe school environment. In addition to the central file that is maintained in the Facility Operations Office, Connecticut law requires that a comprehensive file be maintained in each of the buildings' administrative offices. The file must contain the plan, the EPA publications, inspection records and repair records. Requests to review the district's Asbestos Management Plan or inspection reports may be made through the school's main office.