

INFORMATION CIRCULAR NO. 502
Office of the Chief Operations Officer

SAN DIEGO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Date: September 23, 2015

To: All Employees

Subject: ASBESTOS HAZARD EMERGENCY RESPONSE ACT
(AHERA) NOTIFICATION

**Department and/or
Persons Concerned:** All Employees

Reference: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) (40 CFR Part 763,
Subpart E) Asbestos Containing Materials in Schools

Brief Explanation:

The Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) was signed into law in 1987 and implemented by local education agencies on July 9, 1989. Since then, the San Diego Unified School District has made every effort to establish an effective asbestos management program. The efforts include awareness training for new employees, periodic six-month surveillances, mandatory three-year re-inspections by Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) certified inspectors, and ongoing operations and maintenance activities performed by EPA trained contractor supervisors to ensure protection for building occupants, custodians, and maintenance workers as recommended and supported by the EPA.

In addition, asbestos related work activities may be performed as part of the Prop S and Prop Z facility upgrades. Asbestos abatement activities are conducted by licensed abatement contractors and are monitored by third party environmental consultants to ensure regulatory compliance, efficacy of removal activities, and safety of staff and students.

The district maintains at each of its school sites and business facilities a copy of the asbestos management plan for the site/facility. The management plan may be reviewed by contacting the school principal or site administrator.

Questions regarding management plan information or concerns about asbestos conditions should be directed to the district's designated person, Joe Kinkead, at (858) 627-7255.

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