

District: Tate County Schools
Section: E - Business Management
Policy Code: EM - Hazardous Materials

Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) Compliance

The Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) requires public school districts to inspect their schools for asbestos-containing building material, prepare management plans, and take action to prevent or reduce asbestos hazards. In order to comply with AHERA, the Tate County School District will:

- Perform an original inspection to determine whether asbestos-containing materials are present and then re-inspect asbestos-containing material in each school every three (3) years,
- Develop, maintain, and update an asbestos management plan and keep a copy at the school,
- Provide yearly notification to parent, teacher, and employee organizations on the availability of the school's asbestos management plan and any asbestos-related actions taken or planned in the school,
- Designate a contact person to ensure the responsibilities of the Tate County School District are properly implemented,
- Perform periodic surveillance of known or suspected asbestos-containing building material, and
- Ensure that trained and licensed professionals perform inspections and take response actions.

In addition to the above requirements, the Tate County School District will ensure that all members of the custodial staff who may work in a building with asbestos-containing building materials will have the required asbestos-awareness training.

All new custodial staff must be trained within sixty (60) days of hire.

Adopted Date: