

**RACINE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANNUAL ASBESTOS NOTIFICATION
2022-2023 School Year**

Under AHERA (Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act), all primary and secondary schools are required to develop and implement a plan for managing all building materials which contain asbestos. Included in the AHERA Act is the requirement to annually notify all workers and building occupants (or their guardians) of asbestos-related activities.

Beginning in 1988, all buildings owned, leased, or “under the control of” the School District were inspected by EPA accredited inspectors, with building material samples analyzed by an independent laboratory. Based on the inspection, the School District prepared, and the state approved a comprehensive management plan for managing the asbestos.

Where the asbestos-containing materials are found, the School District has an Operations and Maintenance Program in place.

The School District has accomplished the following compliance mandates regarding the administration of asbestos in school buildings:

- Environmental Management Consulting, Inc. (EMC) was contracted to be the School District’s consultant for asbestos for the school year.
- The School District is continuing with the Operations and Maintenance Program as designed. This ensures that all asbestos materials are kept in good condition.
- Periodic “surveillance” in each area containing asbestos has been completed every six (6) months by our consultant. Also, the buildings are re-inspected by an accredited inspector every three (3) years.
- In the past year, the School District conducted the following asbestos removal activities:
 - *Community Pathways Center, 2333 Northwestern Ave., Racine, WI 53404*
 - *Mitchell K-8, 2701 Drexel Ave., Racine, WI 53403*
 - *Jerstad-Agerholm K-8, 3535 LaSalle St., Racine, WI 53402*
 - *Montessori Goodland, 4800 Graceland Blvd., Racine, WI 53406*
 - *Giese Elementary, 5120 Bryd Ave., Racine, WI 53406*

All outside contractors shall contact the lead maintenance person before commencing work. The School District’s goal is to be in full compliance with asbestos regulations.

A copy of the Asbestos Management Plan is available for review by contacting the District Office. Questions related to this plan or any other asbestos concerns should be directed to the School District’s designated person, Robert F. Tajnai (262-497-7100).

