

**UPPER PERKIOMEN SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**ASBESTOS HAZARDOUS EMERGENCY RESPONSE ACT**  
**COMPLIANCE NOTICE**  
**2018 Update**

Almost everyone recognizes the physical changes that occur in our schools. Among these changes is an item that is of utmost importance to all of us is asbestos. The AHERA Federal law (Asbestos Hazardous Emergency Response Act) mandates that all of our District facilities receive an intense inspection to locate, identify and deal appropriately with the various types of asbestos that may have been used in the construction of our buildings. **This inspection will be updated in 2018, as required by law.**

Friable asbestos is that material which is easily crumbled by hand pressure, thereby releasing health threatening fibers into the air. There are, however other types of building materials that contain non-friable asbestos. These materials include pipe elbows, insulation and floor tiles. These areas are identified using signs and are monitored every six (6) months for damage or deterioration and repaired as necessary. Floor tiles are monitored and maintained in such a manner as to protect the tiles from incidental damage.

Marlborough Elementary and the Education Center have been certified by the design Architect to be free of asbestos containing materials.

The Upper Perkiomen School District has maintained an extensive and aggressive asbestos compliance plan to protect the health and welfare of its students and staff as well as the community members who use School District facilities. We will continue to serve the occupants of our buildings as part of our commitment to provide a safe environment for the academic advancement of our youth and Community.

**Asbestos Related Projects Planned for 2018:** There are no asbestos abatement projects planned during 2018.

For additional information regarding the type quantity and location of asbestos present in the Upper Perkiomen School District, please refer to the AHERA Compliance Manuals located in the main offices of each District Building and in the District Facilities Office. The public is welcome to review the AHERA Compliance Manuals at any of these locations. Any questions concerning this information can be directed to the Upper Perkiomen School District Director of Facilities & Operations by calling (215) 541-2444 or email: [jsheeran@upsd.org](mailto:jsheeran@upsd.org) .