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To: Parents & Staff of Sedalia School District #200

Asbestos is an issue we have been dealing with for many years. The Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act of 1986 (referred to as AHERA) was enacted to determine the extent of and develop solutions for any problems schools may have with asbestos.

To give you some background, asbestos has been used as a building material for many years. It is a naturally occurring mineral that is mined primarily in Canada, South Africa, and the U.S.S.R. Asbestos' properties made it an ideal building material for insulating, sound absorption, decorative plasters, fireproofing, and a variety of miscellaneous uses. There have been over 3,000 different products made using asbestos materials. EPA began action to limit uses of asbestos products in 1973 and most uses of asbestos products as building materials were banned in 1978.

We have had our facilities inspected by a certified asbestos inspector, as required by AHERA. The inspectors located, sampled, and rated the condition and hazard potential of all material in our facilities suspected of containing asbestos. The inspection and laboratory analysis records were turned over to a professional, certified to develop asbestos management plans.

He has developed an asbestos management plan for our facilities which includes: this notification letter, education and training of our employees, and a set of plans and procedures designed to minimize the disturbance of the asbestos containing materials, and plan for regular surveillance of the asbestos-containing materials.

A copy of the asbestos management plan is available for your inspection in our administrative office during regular office hours. Mr. Kenneth Schlup Jr. is our asbestos Program Manager and all inquiries regarding the plan should be directed to him.

We have implemented the asbestos management plan and we are intent on not only complying with, but exceeding federal, state, and local regulations in this area. We plan on taking whatever steps are necessary to insure your children and our employees have a healthy, safe environment in which to learn and work. In addition, two of our buildings, Skyline and Parkview, have been certified to be free of all asbestos building materials.

An awareness session has been held with new custodial and maintenance employees to update them on actions taken during the past year, other actions to be completed this coming year, and any additional information as required by law. Contractors will receive letters of notification during the bidding process for all work within the building.

Sincerely,

Dr. Todd Fraley, Asst. Superintendent