

NOTICE TO PARENTS, FACULTY AND STAFF

August 9, 2024

A formal asbestos management program has been in place at Newtown Public Schools since 1986. The purpose of this program is to identify the Asbestos-Containing Material (ACM) in our schools and to take steps to make sure this material does not present an exposure hazard to the students, faculty, or staff.

The asbestos management program is implemented through asbestos management plans. A separate plan has been developed for each of the following facilities:

Hawley Elementary School
Head O' Meadow Elementary School
Newtown High School
Middle Gate Elementary School
Newtown Middle School

These management plans identify the locations of the ACM in our schools and detail our ongoing management program. The management plans also include descriptions of previous asbestos inspections and our plans for repair or removal of damaged asbestos-containing materials.

Under our asbestos management program, the ACM listed in the management plans is inspected every six months to assure early detection of problem areas. Furthermore, each building is completely re-inspected once every three years by a Connecticut-licensed asbestos inspector to make sure that all ACM is properly identified and that the asbestos management plans are up to date.

An asbestos management plan is maintained in each school office. Additionally, a complete set of management plans is maintained in the Board of Education Office, 3 Primrose Street., Newtown, Connecticut. These plans are available for review during normal business hours.

Newtown Public Schools has designated Mr. John Barlow as the person responsible for ensuring that the requirements of our asbestos management program are properly implemented. Mr. Barlow can be contacted at (203) 426-7615.