

## JAMESTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Date: August 2025

To: Parents, Students and District Employees

From: Jim Kasper, District AHERA Designated Person

Subject: Asbestos Activities, 2025-2026

In 1987 Congress enacted the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) to establish requirements for management of asbestos in public and nonprofit elementary and secondary schools. The act set standards for training, maintenance, abatement, inspections, surveillance, notifications and records keeping. A compliance program was initiated by the district in 1989. For all schools containing asbestos, periodic surveillance of known or assumed asbestos containing materials is conducted at six-month intervals to determine any change in condition. Deterioration or damage is corrected through the AHERA operations and maintenance program, and preventive maintenance is routinely performed. AHERA requires that this annual notice be promulgated to advise parents, students and staff of the status of the asbestos program.

In the previous 12 months, no areas were noted at any site accessible to students and staff that required any action other than normal maintenance and custodial care. No asbestos abatement activities are planned for the coming year.

Jim Kasper is the AHERA designated person. Documents kept in school administrative offices include the asbestos management plans, inspection reports and records of surveillance, training, maintenance and abatement. Copies of the plan may be obtained for a nominal charge. If you have any questions about the asbestos program or the AHERA legislation, please contact Jim Kasper at jkasper@jespanthers.org. to make an appointment to discuss our management plan with you.

Sincerely,

Jim Kasper, Director of Maintenance and Transportation