



STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
HANA HIGH AND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
P. O. BOX 128
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July 31, 2018

Dear Faculty, Staff, Parents/Guardians:

In 1986, Congress passed the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA). That law requires all schools, kindergarten through twelfth grade, to be inspected to identify any asbestos-containing building materials. The law further requires the development of a Management Plan, based upon the findings of the inspection, which outlines our intent in controlling the potential for exposure to asbestos fibers in our schools.

In the past, asbestos was used extensively in building materials because of its insulating and fire-retarding capabilities. Virtually any building built before the late 1970's contains at least some asbestos in pipe insulation and structural fireproofing. The primary concern arises when these materials begin to deteriorate or are damaged.

As mandated by law a required six-month asbestos surveillance inspection of all Hana High & Elementary School buildings is conducted every December and June. Most of the asbestos is located in the floor tiles of classrooms and is categorized as non-friable. We will continue to follow the Operations and Maintenance Plan as outlined in the school's AHERA Management Plan.

A copy of the management plan is on file in the administrative office and is available for your review during our regular school hours. Should you have any questions, please call the school at 248-4815.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Richard W. Paul".

Richard W. Paul
Principal