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To Parent Teacher & Employee Organizations:

Old Tappan Board of Education has contracted with Environmental Remediation & Management Inc. to act as their “Designated Person” as defined under the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) of 1986. AHERA requires that all educational facilities be inspected for asbestos – containing materials and develop a remedial plan of action on or before May 9, 1989. In addition, each educational facility shall reassess all identified asbestos – containing materials or materials assumed to be asbestos, at least once every six months (periodic surveillance) and re-inspect those facilities every three years.

The Old Tappan Board of Education is in compliance with these requirements. The most recent Tri-annual re-inspection was performed in May, 2019. “Periodic Surveillance” inspections are performed every May and November. The next one is scheduled for November, 2019.

Following each inspection, appropriate remedial actions are recommended to the Board of Education by an accredited Asbestos Management Planner. The remedial plans of action and recommended schedules for implementation (Asbestos Management Plans) are available for review at the Old Tappan Board of Education Administrative Office, as well as in each school office.

This past April, a small scale abatement effort was undertaken in a classroom at the T. Baldwin Demarest School, due to a water leak. The project involved the removal of a small amount of “non-friable” floor tile, and was performed in compliance with all applicable State and Federal rules, regulations, and guidelines. The details of the project can be viewed within the Asbestos Management Plan.

We will continue to keep you informed of our AHERA compliance.

Respectfully Yours,

Cathy DiNardo

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Designated Person on behalf
of the Old Tappan Board of Education