

Office of Environmental Management Operations Department 440 North Broad Street Philadelphia, PA 19130

December 20, 2019

Dear Northeast High School Community,

In an ongoing effort to ensure that your school is healthy and safe for all students and staff, an Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) six-month surveillance was performed by a licensed third party building inspector.

During that inspection, damaged asbestos was found in the boys restroom, kitchen dry storage room, and front entrance storage room.

As a result of these findings, the areas that contained the imminent hazards were immediately closed off. Any students or staff that use those spaces were relocated until the damage was repaired, and the hazard was removed. The area has been tested, and determined to be safe for students and staff to use. Remember, you can view AHERA inspection results in the school's main office.

The health of our students and the safety of our schools remains a top priority. To learn more about asbestos and what the District is doing to improve environmental safety, please visit the website at the bottom of this page. The website contains answers to key questions about asbestos and several videos from internationally known asbestos expert, Dr. Arthur Frank. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please email <u>environmental@philasd.org</u>, or call 215-400-4750.

Sincerely,

The School District of Philadelphia Office of Environmental Management & Services

