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## **School Year 2016-2017 Annual AHERA Compliance Notice**

Dear Parent/Guardian/Staff/Visitors:

The Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) was enacted in 1986 to determine the extent of and develop solutions for any problems schools may have with asbestos. Newport Public Schools have had our facilities inspected and is in the process of scheduling the three year re-inspection by accredited asbestos inspectors as required by AHERA. Additionally all periodic surveillances and inspections required by AHERA are being made and incorporated into the management plan for each facility. Newport Public Schools will continue to have six month surveillance and three year re-inspection at our schools conducted by Vortex, Inc., an environmental management, consulting and training company.

We will continue implementing the asbestos management plans in our facilities. Our intent is to comply with all applicable federal, state and local regulations relating to AHERA. The Newport Public Schools is committed to maintaining a safe and healthy environment for all children, employees, and guests in our schools. Copies of our Management Plan and Inspection Reports are available upon request for review at each school office, as well as the Office of the Superintendent of Schools, located in the Newport Area Career & Technical Center, on the campus of the William S. Rogers High School, 109 Old Fort Road, Newport, RI 02840-3898.

Please direct any questions concerning AHERA to my attention.

Sincerely,

Thomas A. Harrop  
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