

AHERA NOTICE

In the past, asbestos was used extensively in building materials because of its insulating, sound absorbing, and fire retarding capabilities. Virtually any building constructed before the late 1970s contained some asbestos. Intact and undisturbed asbestos materials generally do not pose a health risk. Asbestos materials, however, can become hazardous when, due to damage or deterioration over time, they release fibers. If the fibers are inhaled, they can lead to health problems.

In 1986, Congress passed the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (“AHERA”) which requires schools to be inspected to identify any asbestos containing building materials. Suspected asbestos-containing building materials were located, sampled (or assumed) and rated according to condition and potential hazard. Orange County Classical Academy (“OCCA”) previously conducted an inspection to determine whether its facilities contained asbestos containing building materials (“ACBM”), and all ACBM was removed from the campus buildings, and on June 28th, 2022, a final report was submitted by Magnolia Environmental, a certified asbestos consulting service, to AQMD certifying that the “regulated areas of the property successfully achieved clearance.”

This final report will result in updating the Management Plan (currently anticipated to be completed by August 1st, 2023), which will detail the inspection findings, and outline the response actions OCCA intends to implement, if any are necessary.

To accomplish these goals, OCCA now has on file at the office [the current Asbestos Management Plan](#) for the school facility, and will also keep on file the reinspection report once completed. It is OCCA’s desire to provide a safe and healthy facility for all students, employees and visitors.

The purpose of this letter is to satisfy the requirements of AHERA for written notice of the availability of the management Plan for review. Should you desire, please contact OCCA for further details.