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Dear Student/Parent:

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. WWRC, as a training facility, is included. 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 school.

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. We, too, have buildings that contain asbestos materials. The primary concern arises when these materials begin to deteriorate or become damaged.

The inspection of our facility is complete, and some asbestos-containing materials were identified in our buildings. The materials are distributed in various locations and include floor tiles, pipe insulation, and mechanical areas not readily accessible to building occupants or students.

Our Management Plan has been approved by the Governor's Office. It outlines in detail the methods we will use to maintain the materials in a safe manner. It also includes a schedule for the phased removal of these materials as applicable.

Copies of the Management Plan, individual building inspection and re-inspection reports are on file for your review at the Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center, Office of the Director of Physical Plant Services, Fishersville, Virginia.