



**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
DEPENDENT SCHOOLS
PATCH AMERICAN HIGH SCHOOL
UNIT 30401
APO AE 09107**



Home of the Panthers

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MEMORANDUM FOR PARENTS AND STAFF

SUBJECT: Asbestos Inspections and Surveillance

In accordance with the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act, environmental engineers complete an asbestos inspection of all school buildings. The original inspection was conducted at Patch American High School on June 9-10, 1987, in accordance with the Environmental Protection Agency guidelines and Department of Defense Dependents Schools policy. A re-inspection was conducted on November 11-16, 1993, and on August 1, 2000. The most recent inspection was conducted on 1 – 8 August, 2002. There were no changes from the previous inspection. The following process was repeated during the 2002 inspection:

Samples of suspected asbestos-containing materials were taken during the inspection and were submitted to a laboratory for analysis. Non-friable asbestos was found in sheet gaskets, floor adhesive, vinyl floor tiles, and the insulation wrapping steam pipes. All materials were found to be in good condition and no immediate abatement is necessary. A periodic surveillance program is in effect and the condition of these materials is closely monitored.

Copies of the inspection report, periodic surveillance records, and the school's Asbestos Management Plan are kept in the school office. These documents are available for your review.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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