January 1, 2024

Dear Families & Staff,

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), under the National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAPS), banned the use of asbestos for sprayed-on application of fireproofing and insulating in 1973 and for decorating purposes in 1978. Our building construction predates this ban and therefore, like most schools built before 1980, contains some asbestos. Asbestos is not considered a health risk when it is stable and undisturbed.

The state requires that the management of any public building that predates this ban makes an annual formal declaration of the presence and containment of the asbestos. The following is the language we are required to use in that declaration:

This letter applies to the Montessori School of Greater Hartford school year 2023/2024 and is in accordance with §19a-333-1 through 13 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, "Asbestos-Containing Materials in Schools." We are required to inform you annually that asbestos containing materials have been identified in areas of Montessori School of Greater Hartford and are checked every six months for stability.

MSGH maintains an updated copy of an Asbestos Management Plan in the Main Office which is available during normal business hours for review. Should you have any questions, please call Bill MacLean.

Sincerely,

Mary McHale Head of School