

Illinois State University
2023 Lab School Asbestos Annual Update
Thomas Metcalf School, Fairchild Hall, and University High School

Pursuant to the Local Education Authority requirements of the Asbestos Abatement Act 855.300 (a) (3), Illinois State University's Environmental Health and Safety Office (EHS), with assistance from an independent, licensed, third party consultant, conducted asbestos surveys of all lab schools operated by the University. As required by the Act, the periodic surveys are conducted twice per year, and a comprehensive inspection of all three lab schools is conducted every 3 years. All response actions, operations, and maintenance work, and clean-up work that involves asbestos containing material is completed with oversight and supervision of EHS. All work is conducted by properly licensed individuals and/or contractors in accordance with all applicable State and Federal asbestos regulations. A third-party Asbestos Project Manager/Air Sampling Professional is also on site during the entirety of all abatement projects, defined as any friable asbestos removal greater than 3 square or 3 lineal feet.

The following project work was completed during 2023:

- Between May and July of 2023, an asbestos abatement project was completed by an Asbestos Abatement Contractor at Fairchild Hall/Rachel Cooper to remove the thermal system insulation, floor tile/mastic and ceiling tile adhesive in the Fairchild Hall Basement Mechanical Room and the 2nd floor of Rachel Cooper.

Every K-12 school in Illinois is required by the Asbestos Abatement Act 855.325 to maintain an Asbestos Management Plan. The Management plan is a comprehensive report and history that identifies asbestos containing surfaces and materials. The plan includes inspection reports, sample results, response actions and an operations and maintenance program. The Management Plans for each school were revised and updated in 2023 and are available in the main office of each school. The Management Plans are available for review during normal office hours without cost or restriction for representatives of the EPA, the State, and the public. It is also available to outside contractors who must review the Management Plans prior to any work beginning in any area of the schools. For questions regarding the Management Plans, please contact:

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