NSW Department of Education



Nepean Creative and Performing Arts High School Works notification | 29 April 2024

Dear staff, parents/carers,

We are writing to provide an update on the investigations and remediation work taking place at Nepean Creative and Performing Arts High School that we notified you of on 12 April 2024.

During the April School Holidays, licensed and accredited asbestos contractors have encapsulated all openings across Buildings A, C, D and E that provide access to the ceiling void in each building. As an extra precaution, air monitoring was installed and an environmental clean was undertaken.

As an ongoing precaution, air monitoring will remain in place during Term 2 and weekly inspections will be conducted in buildings A, C, D and E by an independent hygienist.

All air monitoring to date across the buildings has returned results below the minimum detectable limit, which means it is consistent with acceptable levels in ambient air (i.e. <0.01 fibres/mL) as per SafeWork NSW guidelines.

All remediation work was conducted in accordance with recommendations from the independent hygienist. The hygienist inspected and confirmed that the buildings can be reopened for regular school operations on Day 1 of Term 2.

Continuing remediation work

As we notified on 26 March 2024, 2 rooms in Building D and E were closed when loose material was discovered in the ceilings.

The work to repair these ceilings is ongoing and the 2 rooms will remain closed at the start of Term 2.

All work will be done outside of school hours in accordance with work, health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. All work will be completed by licensed and accredited asbestos contractors and monitored by independent hygienists in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies and guidelines.

The buildings will be inspected by independent hygienists to confirm they have been fully remediated, and the school will be issued with a clearance certificate before reopening for regular operations.

The health, safety, and wellbeing of the school and the local community is our highest priority.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.

We will continue to keep you updated about all remediation work at the school.

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