## **Lead-Based Paint Management and Compliance**

Lead is a heavy metal that has been historically used in paints for added color and durability. Lead-based paint is any surface coating that contains lead equal to or in excess of 1.0 milligram per square centimeter or more than 0.5 percent by weight.

In 1978, the Consumer Products Safety Commission banned the sale of lead-based paint for residential use due to its potential to create adverse health effects if the lead-based paint is disturbed. Lead was primarily installed in pre-1978 Public, Commercial, and Residential facilities. The EPA has recently developed a Renovation, Repair, and Painting Rule that requires renovations conducted in a pre-1978 child-occupied facility be performed by an EPA Certified Lead-Safe Firm and Employee.

St. Vrain Valley School District RE-1J, in accordance with the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Renovation, Repair, and Painting Rule, has become a Certified Lead-Safe Firm. The District has also trained and Certified all Maintenance Department Leads and painters.

In order to assist in compliance with these regulations, the District has recently completed lead-based paint facility surveys at each of the District Elementary Schools built prior to 1980 as well as Old Columbine High School.

Lead-Based Paint Evaluation Reports are available for review at each school facility (Main Office or Custodial Office) and on the District Intranet Webpage under the Environmental Compliance Column. The Lead-Based Paint Evaluation Reports are also available at the Educational Services Center, 395 S. Pratt Parkway, Longmont, CO 80501 through the Environmental Compliance Coordinator without cost or restriction for inspection during normal business hours. Copies can be made of such plans at the normal copying charges established by the District.

St. Vrain Valley School District has developed and implemented a Lead-Based Paint Management Program to provide guidance and instruction for compliance with Federal and State regulations. The program includes public education, training for maintenance/custodial/construction, construction contract language, routine reinspections, and stringent record keeping requirements.

St Vrain Valley School District is committed to practicing sound lead-based paint management practices and to observance and adherence to all Local, State, and Federal rules and regulations.

## **<u>Lead-Based Paint Concern/Question/Information</u>**

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