



## Hermiston School District 8R

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As directed by ORS 332.166-167, all school districts in Oregon must develop a plan to accurately measure school buildings for elevated radon levels. Under the statute, school districts must submit a plan to Oregon Health Authority (OHA) by September 1, 2016. Per ORS 332.166-167, actual testing of schools must be done on or before January 1, 2021 and the testing results sent to OHA and posted on the school district's website.

Per ORS 332.166-167, School Radon Measurement Teams (i.e. personnel appointed to measure a school site for elevated radon) must, at a minimum, conduct initial measurements in all frequently occupied rooms in contact with the soil or located above a basement or a crawlspace. Testing will occur in all frequently occupied spaces simultaneously per school site. Examples include: offices, classrooms, conference rooms, gyms, auditoriums, cafeterias & break rooms. A minimum of one detector for every 2000 sq. ft. of open floor space or portion thereof is required. United States Environmental Protection Agency (USE PA) studies indicate that radon levels on upper floors are not likely to exceed the levels found in ground-contact rooms. Testing rooms on the ground contact floor or above unoccupied basements or crawlspaces is sufficient to determine if radon is a problem in a school. Areas such as rest rooms, hallways, stairwells, elevator shafts, utility closets, kitchens storage closets do not need to be tested.

All sites within the Hermiston school District will start testing in 2020 and completed and published by January 1, 2021.

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