Annual Integrated Pest Management Notice For School Year 2024 - 2025

Dear Parent, Guardian, or Staff Member:

This notice is being distributed to comply with the New Jersey School Integrated Pest Management Act. [Nehaunsey School Street and Broad Street School] has adopted an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Policy and has implemented an IPM Plan to comply with this law. IPM is a holistic, preventive approach to managing pests that is explained further in the schools IPM Policy included with this notice.

All schools in New Jersey are required to have an Integrated Pest Management Coordinator (IPM Coordinator) to oversee all activities related to IPM and pesticide use at the school.

The IPM Coordinator for [Nehaunsey School Broad Street School] is: Gerardo Batista

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The IPM Coordinator maintains the pesticide product label, and the Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) (when one is available), of each pesticide product that may be used on school property. The label and the MSDS are available for review by a parent, guardian, staff member, or student attending the school. Also, the IPM Coordinator is available to parents, guardians, and staff members for information and to discuss comments about IPM activities and pesticide use at the school.

As part of a school pest management plan [Nehaunsey and Broad Street] may use pesticides to control pests. The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) register pesticides to determine that the use of a pesticide in accordance with instructions printed on the label does not pose an unreasonable risk to human health and the environment. Nevertheless, the EPA and the DEP cannot guarantee that registered pesticides do not pose any risk to human health, thus unnecessary exposure to pesticides should be avoided. The EPA has issued the statement that where possible, persons who are potentially sensitive, such as pregnant women, infants and children, should avoid unnecessary pesticide exposure.

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TO:

PARENTS, FACULTY, STAFF AND OUTSIDE ORGANIZATIONS

FROM:

GERARDO BATISTA, CEFM/IPM/AHERA

As part of our continuing efforts to keep you informed of actions in support of keeping our schools safe, the Greenwich Township Board of Education would like to report on our current status with respect to building components in our schools containing asbestos. In years past, asbestos was frequently used in construction of many buildings throughout the world. Here in the United States, in order to address this subject in schools, the federal government established the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA (40 CFR 763 Subpart E) in the 1990's. An important component of this federal regulation requires schools to conduct periodic inspections at least twice annually to ensure that any asbestos containing building materials are intact and not in a deteriorated state.

As part of this inspection process, we as a District are required to notify parents, faculty, staff and outside organizations annually of any pertinent changes in the district relating to asbestos containing materials. The inspection reports are on file at each individual school and a complete District-wide set is available at the Business Office and Facilities Manager's Office for review. Written request to obtain copies of any asbestos reports can be fulfilled by the district,

All asbestos containing materials within the district are part of an operations and maintenance program to keep the material properly maintained. All asbestos containing materials within the district. according to the AHERA inspections conducted to date, are being maintained properly and no immediate action is required.

Should you have any questions regarding the most recent inspections or the condition of asbestos containing materials within the district please contact Gerardo Batista (856) 224-4920 ext. 2129 at Nehaunsey Middle School.