

August 14, 2017

To Parent, Teacher & Employee Organizations:

In the past, asbestos was used extensively in building materials because of its insulating, sound absorbing, and fire retarding capabilities. Most buildings constructed before the early 1980's contained some asbestos. Intact and undisturbed asbestos materials generally do not pose a health risk. However, if damaged, asbestos fibers can be released into the air causing potential health problems, such as cancer and asbestosis.


In 1986, Congress passed the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) which requires schools to follow a careful process of identifying, monitoring and maintaining known or assumed asbestos containing building materials to prevent hazardous conditions. Each educational facility shall reassess all known or assumed asbestos containing materials at least every six months (periodic surveillance) and re-inspect those facilities every three years. The law further requires an Asbestos Management Plan (AMP) to be in place. The Fair Lawn Board of Education (BOE) has developed and maintains a plan and related files as required. The plan requires: distribute an annual notification on the status of asbestos activities, educate and train potentially exposed employees about asbestos and how to safely deal with it, notify short-term or temporary workers on the locations of the asbestos containing building materials; post warning labels in utility areas with known or assumed asbestos, follow specific procedures to prevent the disturbance of asbestos containing materials.

The BOE has contracted with Garden State Environmental, Inc. to act as their new "Designated Person" (effective July 2017) as defined in the AHERA regulation to ensure that all required safety procedures are followed and properly documented. The BOE is in full compliance with these requirements. The most recent three-year re-inspection was performed in June 2015. Inspections are conducted every June and December, with the next one scheduled for December 2017. Following each inspection, all findings are documented and reported to the Board of Education by an AHERA accredited Asbestos Building Inspector.

During this past year, asbestos abatement efforts were undertaken at Radburn Elementary School. The project involved the removal of non-friable asbestos containing floor tile and mastic. All abatement activities were performed in accordance with all applicable State and Federal rules, regulations, and guidelines.

It is the intention of the BOE to comply with all federal and state regulations controlling asbestos and to take whatever steps are necessary to ensure students and employees enjoy a healthy and safe environment. You are welcome to review a copy of the AMP in the BOE Administrative Office, as well as in each school office during regular school hours.

Sincerely,



Bruce D. Wolf
Garden State Environmental, Inc.
Designated Person on behalf of the Fair Lawn BOE

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**ANNUAL INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT
NOTICE**

School Year 2017-2018

Dear Parent, Guardian or Staff Member:

This notice is being distributed to comply with the New Jersey School Integrated Pest Management Act. The Fair Lawn Public School District 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 school's IPM Policy, which is available for review.

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 the Fair Lawn Public School District is: Tom Senko
Telephone Number: (201) 794-5522, extension 6602
Address: Fair Lawn Board of Education
5-01 Bergen Avenue
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The IPM Coordinator maintains the pesticide documents, and the Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) (when one is available), of each pesticide product that may be used on school property. These documents are available for review. The IPM Coordinator is also available to parents, guardians, and staff members for information and to discuss comments about IPM activities and any pesticides used at the school.

As part of a school pest management plan, our schools may use pesticides to control pests. The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Agency (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 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.

IPM products used in all schools in the past 12 months:

Advion Ant Gel EPA Registration #100-1498, Contrax All-Weather Blox EPA Registration #12455-79, Advion Cockroach Gel EPA Registration #100-1484

If there are any questions regarding this notice, please call Mr. Tom Senko at the number listed above.



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IPM products used in Milnes Elementary School in the past 12 months:

Advion Ant Gel EPA Registration #100-1498, Contrax All-Weather Blox EPA Registration #12455-79, Advion Cockroach Gel EPA Registration #100-1484, Termidor SC EPA Registration #7969-210, Tempo 1% Dust EPA Registration #432-1373

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