July 13, 2010

Subject: Annual Integrated Pest Management Notice
2011 – 2012 School Year

Dear Parent, Guardian, or Staff Member:

This notice is being distributed to comply with the New Jersey School Integrated Pest Management Act. The Montclair Board of Education 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 District’s 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 Montclair High School, George Inness Annex and Woodman Field is:

Name of IPM Coordinator for Montclair High School: Mr. Brian Bunk, Head Custodian  Telephone Number: 973-509-4100
Name of IPM Coordinator for George Inness Annex: Mr. Allen Hriczov, Head Custodian  Telephone Number: 973-509-4004
Name of IPM Coordinator for Woodman Field: Mr. Troy Shannon, Head Custodian  Telephone Number: 973-509-4044

Name of District IPM Coordinator: Mr. Leonard Saponara, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds

Business Phone number: 973-509-4044

Business Address: Buildings and Grounds Department, c/o Hillside School, 54 Orange Road, Montclair, New Jersey, 07042

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 the Montclair Board of Education 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.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at 973-509-4044.

Yours Truly,

Leonard Saponara

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Non-Instructional Operations

Integrated Pest Management Policy

The New Jersey School Integrated Pest Management Act of 2002 requires schools to implement a school integrated pest management policy.

The law requires the superintendent of the school district, for each school in the district, the board of trustees of a charter school, and the principal or lead administrator of a private school, as appropriate, to implement Integrated Pest Management (IPM) procedures to control pests and minimize exposure of children, faculty, and staff to pesticides. The Montclair Board of Education shall therefore develop and maintain an IPM plan as part of the school’s policy.

Integrated pest management procedures in schools

Implementation of IPM procedures will determine when to control pests and whether to use mechanical, physical, cultural, biological or chemical methods. Applying IPM principles prevents unacceptable levels of pest damage by the most economical means and with the least possible hazard to people, property, and the environment.

Each school shall consider the full range of management options, including no action at all. Non-pesticide pest management methods are to be used whenever possible. The choice of using a pesticide shall be based on a review of all other available options and a determination that these options are not effective or not reasonable. When it is determined that a pesticide must be used, low impact pesticides and methods are preferred and shall be considered for use first.

Development of IPM plans

The school IPM plan will be a blueprint of how the Montclair Board of Education will manage pests through IPM methods. The school IPM plan will state the district’s goals regarding the management of pests and the use of pesticides. It will reflect each school’s site-specific needs. The IPM plan shall provide a description of how each component of the school IPM policy will be implemented at each school.

IPM Coordinator

The Director of the Building and Grounds Department will be the designated integrated pest management coordinator, who is responsible for the implementation of the school integrated pest management policy.

Education/Training

The school community will be educated about potential pest problems and IPM methods used to achieve the pest management objectives.

The IPM Coordinator, other school staff and pesticide applicators involved with implementation of the school IPM policy will be trained in appropriate components of IPM as it pertains to the school environment.

Students, parents/guardians will be provided information on this policy and instructed on how they can contribute to the success of the IPM program.

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Record Keeping

Records of pesticide use shall be maintained on site to meet the requirements of the state regulatory agency and the school board.

Records shall also include, but are not limited to, pest surveillance data sheets and other non-pesticide pest management methods and practices utilized.

Notification/Posting

The Director of Buildings and Grounds for the Montclair Board of Education is responsible for timely notification to students' parents or guardians and the school staff of pesticide treatments pursuant to the School IPM Act.

Re-entry

Re-entry to a pesticide treated area shall conform to the requirements of the School IPM Act.

Pesticide Applicators

The IPM coordinator shall ensure that applicators follow state regulations, including licensing requirements and label precautions, and must comply with all components of the School IPM Policy.

Evaluation

Annually, the Business Administrator will report to the local school board on the effectiveness of the IPM plan and make recommendations for improvement as needed.

Authorizing Regulatory References

The School Integrated Pest Management Act of 2002
N.J.A.C. Title 7 Chapter 30 Subchapters 1-12
Pesticide Control Act of 1971

Policy adopted: June 21, 2004

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