

**Annual Integrated Pest Management Notice
For School Year 2019-2020**

Dear Parent, Guardian, or Staff Member:

This notice is being distributed to comply with the New Jersey School Integrated Pest Management Act. The Weymouth Township Board of Education has adopted an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Policy and has implemented an IPM Plan to comply with its law. IPM is a holistic preventive approach to managing pests that is explained further in the school'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 Weymouth Township Elementary School is:

Name of IPM Coordinator: Kenneth A. Merlock, Sr.

Business Phone Number: 609-476-2412

Business Address: 1202 11th Avenue, Dorothy NJ 08317

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, the 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 Weymouth Township Elementary School 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 pesticides 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.

Evaluation:

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

The Weymouth Township Board of Education directs the Chief School Administrator to develop regulations/procedures for the implementation of this policy.

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

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