

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Cherry Hill, New Jersey

POLICY 3510.1

INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT

The New Jersey School Integrated Pest Management Act of 2002 requires schools to implement a school integrated pest management policy. As per this policy, each local school board shall implement Integrated Pest Management (IPM) procedures to control pests and minimize exposure of children, faculty and staff to pesticides. The Cherry Hill Public Schools shall develop and maintain an IPM plan as part of the school's policy.

IPM Coordinator

The Facilities Director shall be designated as the District's Integrated Pest Management Coordinator (DIPMC) and is responsible for the implementation of the school integrated pest management policy. This does not alleviate the responsibilities of each school principal since as administrators, they also share the responsibilities of complying and administering the district's IPM 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.

The DIPMC 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 Superintendent, in collaboration with the school building principal(s) and the DIPMC, shall be responsible for the development of the IPM Plan for the school district. The school district's IPM plan is a blueprint of how all Cherry Hill Public Schools will manage pests through IPM methods. The school district's IPM will state the school district's goals regarding the management of pests and the use of pesticides for all district property. The plan will reflect the school district's site-specific needs and a description of how each component of the school district's IPM Policy and Regulation will be implemented for all school property.

Education/Training

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

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

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 building Principal of each school, working with the DIPMC, is responsible for timely notification to students, parents or legal guardians and the school staff of pesticide treatments pursuant to the School IPM Act.

Re-entry

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

Pesticide applicators

The DIPMC 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

The superintendent will report to the school board on the effectiveness of the IPM plan and make recommendations for improvement as needed. The school district's IPM Plan, Policy and regulation is in effect since June 8, 2004 and the Cherry Hill Board of Education directs the superintendent to develop regulations/procedures for the implementation of this policy.

Legal References

The School Integrated Pest Management Act of 2002

N.J.A.C.7: 30 sections 1 and 2

Pesticide Control Act of 1971

[New Jersey Permanent Statutes](#)

[New Jersey Administrative Code - Title 6A & 6](#)

[N.J.S.A. 13:1F-19 through -33](#) "School Integrated Pest Management Act"

[N.J.S.A. 18A:17-49 through -52](#) Buildings and grounds supervisors to be certified educational facilities managers

[N.J.A.C. 18A:22-8](#) Contents of budget; program budgeting system

[N.J.S.A. 34:5A-1 et seq.](#) Worker and Community Right to Know Act

[N.J.S.A. 34:6A-25 et seq.](#) New Jersey Public Employees Occupational Safety and Health Act

[N.J.S.A. 5:23](#) Barrier free subcode of the uniform construction code

[N.J.A.C. 6:8-2.1](#) Quality assurance annual report

[N.J.A.C. 6A:26-12.1 et seq.](#) Operation and Maintenance of Facilities

See particularly

[N.J.A.C. 6A:26-12-2\(a\)1,2](#)

[N.J.A.C. 6A:30-1.1 et seq](#) Evaluation of the Performance of School Districts

Manual for the Evaluation of Local School Districts (September 2002)

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