

Monroe Township Public Schools

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Integrated Pest Management

Annual Notification

2011/2012 School Year

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## AHERA Notification

*2011-2012*

RE: Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) Compliance  
Notification for the Monroe Township Public Schools

Dear Parents, Guardians, Teachers and Staff:

In accordance with regulations of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), we are required to notify parents, guardians, teachers and other employees each year of the availability of the Asbestos Management Plans and the response actions we are taking to maintain asbestos containing materials in our schools.

The original AHERA inspection of our buildings took place during the 1988-89 school years. At that time the condition of all asbestos containing materials was assessed. Since then, appropriate response actions have been taken to ensure that asbestos is maintained in good condition.

A periodic surveillance of each building has occurred every six months since the original inspection. Additionally, formal re-inspections were completed in all affected buildings every three years since the original inspection. Copies of these reports are on file in the main office of each affected school and at the Board of Education Building, Office of the Director of Plant Operations.

Custodians and maintenance workers have been instructed on the health effects of asbestos and the importance of maintaining the material in good condition during their normal day to day activities.

A response action (asbestos abatement) was conducted in 2004 and 2005 during the Phase III Williamstown Middle School project and during various stages of construction during the 2006 Bond Referendum construction projects at Whitehall, Holly Glen, the Middle School and Oak Knoll in compliance with AHERA/EPA/NESHAPS and OSHA regulations.

If you wish to review the Asbestos Management Plan, a copy is located in each affected school office and at the Board of Education Building, Office of the Director of Plant Operations.

Sincerely,  
Charles M. Earling  
Superintendent of Schools

# Annual Integrated Pest Management Notice For School Year 2011-2012

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Dear Parent, Guardian, or Staff Member:

This notice is being distributed to comply with the New Jersey School Integrated Pest Management Act. Monroe Township Public Schools 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 Monroe Township Public Schools is:

David S Sullivan, Director of Plant Operations

Business Phone Number: 856-629-6400, x-1010

Business Address: 75 East Academy Street, Williamstown, NJ 08094

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 Monroe Township Public Schools 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.

## **The following items are included in this notification:**

- **A copy of the school or school district's IPM policy**
- **A list of pesticides that are in use or that have been used in the past 12 months on school property.**

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### SCHOOL INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT PLAN

The New Jersey School Integrated Pest Management Act of 2002 requires school districts 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. Monroe Township Public Schools shall therefore develop and maintain an IPM plan as part of the school's policy.

#### Integrated Pest Management Procedures in Schools

Implementation of Integrated Pest Management (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 Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Plan is a blueprint of how Monroe Township Public Schools will manage pests through IPM methods. The school IPM Plan states the school's goals regarding the management of pests and the use of pesticides. It reflects the school's site-specific needs. The IPM Plan shall



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provide a description of how each component of the school Integrated Pest Management Policy and Regulation will be implemented at the school. For Public schools, the Local School Board, in collaboration with the school building administrator (principal), shall be responsible for the development of the IPM Plan for this school. For Charter schools and non-public schools, the development of the IPM Plan shall be the responsibility of the Board of Trustees or the Principal or Lead Administrator.

### IPM Coordinator

The Monroe Township Public Schools either local school board, board of trustees, Principal or Lead Administrator shall designate an 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/legal guardians will be provided information on this policy and instructed on how they can contribute to the success of the IPM program.

### Recordkeeping

Records of pesticide use shall be maintained on site to meet the requirements of the State regulatory agency and the Board.



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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 Plant Operations (IPM Coordinator) of Monroe Township Public Schools is responsible for timely notification to students' parents or legal guardians and the school staff of pesticide treatments pursuant to the School Integrated Pest Management Act.

### Re-entry

Re-entry to a pesticide treated area shall conform to the requirements of the School Integrated Pest Management 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 Integrated Pest Management Policy.

### Evaluation

Annually, for public schools, the Principal will report to the local school board on the effectiveness of the IPM Plan and make recommendations for improvement as needed. For non-public schools and charter schools, the Lead Administrator or Principal shall report to their respective governing boards on the effectiveness of the school IPM Plan and make recommendations for improvement as needed.

The local school board or other respective governing boards directs the Principal or Lead Administrator to develop regulations/procedures for the implementation of this policy.



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## 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

N.J.S.A. 13:1F-19 through 13:1F-33

Date Adopted: 4/13/04

Date Revised: 5/20/10



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Monroe Township Schools  
Materials Used from 9/1/10 to 7/31/11

**High School, 700 N. Tuckahoe Rd**

Advion Ant Bait Arena  
Advion Ant Gel Bait  
Advion Cockroach Gel Bait

**Middle School, 561 Clayton Rd**

Advion Ant Gel Bait  
Confrac Blox  
Gentrol IGR  
Niban Granular Bait  
Transport GHP

**Holly Glen, 900 Main St**

Advion Ant Gel Bait  
Confrac Blox  
EcoPCO AR-X  
Onslaught  
Premise Foam

**Maple Grove Admin., 75 E. Academy St**

Talstar EZ Granular

**Oak Knoll, 23 Bodine Ave**

EcoPCO AR-X  
Advion Ant Gel Bait

**Radix Elementary, 363 Radix Rd**

Advion Ant Bait Arena  
Advion Ant Gel Bait  
EcoPCO AR-X  
Onslaught

**Whitehall Elementary, 161 Whitehall Rd**

Advion Ant Gel Bait  
EcoPCO AR-X  
Transport GHP