MOORESTOWN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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ANNUAL INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT NOTICE 2023-2024

Dear Parent, Guardian, or Staff Member:

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

Wilson Quintero, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds

Business Phone number: 856-778-6600 ext. 18153

Business Address: 803 North Stanwick Road, Moorestown, NJ 08057

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 Moorestown 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.

MOORESTOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATIOIN File Code: 3510.1 Moorestown, New Jersey 08057 Policy

INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT

Integrated Pest Management (IPM) procedures will determine when to control pests and whether to use mechanical, physical, cultural, biological, or chemical methods. Applying IPM principals will prevent unacceptable levels of pest damage by the most economical means and with the least possible hazard to people property, and the environment.

The district 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 first use.

The Superintendent, in collaboration with the building administrators and the Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds, will develop a plan stating the district's goals regarding the management of pests and the use of pesticides, reflecting the district's site-specific needs. The IPM plan shall provide a description of how each component of the policy will be implemented at the schools.

The superintendent shall designate an integrated pest management coordinator, who is responsible for the implementation of the school integrated pest management policy.

The school community will be educated about potential pest problems and IPM methods used to achieve pest management objectives. The IPM Coordinator, 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. Students, parents/guardians will be provided information on this policy and instructed on how they can contribute to the success of the IPM program.

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.

The Superintendent, or his designee, is responsible for timely notification to students' parents or guardian and the district staff of pesticide treatments pursuant to the School IPM Act.

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

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

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

REFERENCES:

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

Adopted: June 22, 2004

1. General school information:

School name: Moorestown Township Public Schools **Address:** 803 North Stanwick Road **City:** Moorestown

County: Burlington District: Moorestown

Zip Code: 08057

Phone: 856-778-6600 ext. 18153

School IPM Coordinator: Wilson Quintero, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds

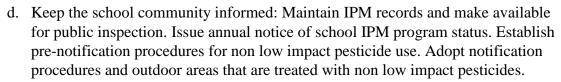
2. Integrated Pest Management Statement

Integrated Pest Management (IPM) on school property is a long-term approach to maintaining healthy landscapes & facilities that minimizes risks to people and the environment. Moorestown Township Public Schools will use: site assessment, monitoring, and pest prevention in combination with a variety of pest management tactics to keep pests within acceptable limits. Instead of routing chemical applications, cultural, mechanical, physical, and biological controls will be employed with selective use of pesticides when needed. Educational strategies are used to enhance pest prevention, and to build support for the IPM program.

3. School IPM Policy: Attached

4. School IPM Plan Goals:

- a. The roles, responsibilities, and training of all members of the school community {school administration, School IPM Coordinator, Pest Management Professional (includes staff or contractors, if used), School Nurse, kitchen staff, maintenance staff, staff, teachers, students, parents or guardians of all students enrolled in the school, and vendor/contractors} regarding IPM at the school are clearly defined.
- b. Pest identification: Initially, define indoor and outdoor pests for the school by historical account and/or by direct monitoring. Establish monitoring types and schedules, and recordkeeping.
- c. Pest prevention and control to maintain a healthy school environment: Outline non-chemical controls that will be routinely practiced at the school. Establish threshold levels for all anticipated pests. Define prescribed use of low impact versus non low impact pesticides for identified pests. Maintain records of all pesticide applications.



e. Evaluate and revise the School IPM Plan annually.