



## Annual Integrated Pest Management Notice For School Year 2017-18

September 2017

Dear Parent, Guardian, or Staff Member:

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

Mr. Brian Marshall, Maintenance Coordinator  
Address: 47 Spring Valley Road, Montvale, NJ 07645  
Phone: 201-391-6226

The IPM Coordinator maintains the pesticide product label, and the Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) (when 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 Montvale 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.

Whenever possible, the district uses low impact pesticide. The district uses green cleaning products. The following pesticides are in use or have been in use in the past 12 months on school property:

Eco Smart Commercial Wasp Killer	Temp SC Ultra Insecticide (swarming ants)
Commercial Wasp and Hornet Killer Sprays (EPA 706-109-5741 and 1021-1613-75111)	Nufarm Selective Herbicide (EPA 228-551) (town maintenance of fields)
Broadleaf Weed Control (EPA 228-551) (town maintenance of fields)	Broadleaf Weed Control (EPA 228-531) (town maintenance of fields)
Crab Grass Control (EPA 62719-542) (town maintenance of fields)	Lebanon Proscap Fertilizer 20-0-5 Lebanon Proscap Fertilizer 20-0-6
Lebanon Proscap Fertilizer 2153580	Lebanon 19-0-6 Pre-Emergent /Weed Control
Confront Spot Spray Broadleaf & Weed Killer	Merit 0.5G Insecticide
Roundup Pro	Mesa Fertilizer 25-0-5
ProScape Fertilizer 30-0-6	WoodAce 12-3-6 A.C.R.E.
Barricade 4L Herbicide (EPA 100-1139)	Escalade 2 (EPA 228-442)
Lebanon Proscap Fertilizer 25-0-6	Turflon Ester (EPA 62719-566)
Turflon Ester Weed Control (EPA 62719-566)	Merit 2F (EPA 432-1312)
Acclaim Weed Control (EPA 432-950)	

If a non low impact pesticide needs to be used, notification will be given 72 hours prior to use via the district's website at [www.montvalek8.org](http://www.montvalek8.org) and informational posters hung in the school office. In case of an emergency, the notifications will be posted upon identification of the need; in which case, the application may take place prior to 72 hours. Notifications can also be sent via e-mail if requested; please call 201-391-6226 to request to be added to the notification list, or send an email to [awasserman@montvalek8.org](mailto:awasserman@montvalek8.org).

The entire Integrated Pest Management Plan can be reviewed during regular business hours. An appointment can be made by calling 201-391-6226. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

*Brian Marshall*

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Maintenance Coordinator

**Operation and Maintenance of Plant Integrated Pest Management**

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, to implement Integrated Pest Management (IPM) procedures to control pests and minimize exposure of children, faculty, and staff to pesticides. The Montvale 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 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 is a blueprint of how the Montvale 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 provide a description of how each component of the school IPM policy will be implemented at the school. The Local School Board, in collaboration with the superintendent of schools and the school business administrator, shall be responsible for the development of the IPM plan for this school.

**IPM Coordinator**

The Montvale Board of Education 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 and parents/guardians will be provided information on this policy and instructed on how they can contribute to the success of the IPM program.

**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 School Business Administrator and/or the IPM Coordinator 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 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 IPM Policy.

**Evaluation**

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

The local school board directs the School Business Administrator to develop regulations/ procedures for the implementation of this policy.

**Legal references:**

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

N.J.A.C. 6A:26-12.1 *et. seq.*

The School Integrated Pest Management Act of 2002

N.J.A.C. Title 7 Chapter 30 Subchapters 1-12

Pesticide Control Act of 1971