

Annual Integrated Pest Management Notice For School Year 2023-2024



Dear Parent, Guardian, or Staff Member:

This notice is being distributed to comply with the New Jersey School Integrated Pest Management Act. **NORTHERN BURLINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL SCHOOL** 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 **NBC HIGH SCHOOL** is **WILL MCKEE, MR. MCKEE** can be contacted by phone at 609-298- 3900 EXT: 2042, and at the **NBC MIDDLE SCHOOL** the coordinator is **ANDREW WASHBURN, MR. WASHBURN** can be contact by phone at 609-298-3900 EXT: 4050.

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, either or both the NBC High School or Middle 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 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.

Outdoors: The applications of herbicide were made by a licensed contractor employed by the district as part of the district's turf management program and by licensed district personnel. During the past 12 months, (2022/2023 school year) herbicides/pesticides have been applied as follows:

	Pesticide Trade Name	When and where applied	EPA Registration Number	Active Ingredient(s)
1.	Insecticide – Termidor – BASF Corp., 100 Park Ave, Florham Park, NJ	NBRHS Grounds (Nests) 09/07/22	EPA Registration # 7969-210	Fipronil
2.	Pre Emergent – Herbicide -Barricade – Syngenta Crop Protection, Greensboro, NC	All athletic fields & perimeter lawn areas – 04/02/23	EPA Registration #100-1139/100-1456-82757	Prodiamine, Attapulgite Clay, Propylene Glycol
3.	Pre Emergent – Herbicide - Escalade – Nufarm Americas, Alsip, IL	All athletic fields & perimeter lawn areas – 04/02/23,	EPA Registration #228-442	Dimethylamine salt of 2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid, 1-Methylheptyl Ester of Fluroxypyr, Dicamba, Solvent Naphtha, Heavy Aromatic
4.	Post Emergent – Herbicide – Barricade – Syngenta Crop Protection, Greensboro, NC	All athletic fields & perimeter lawn areas – 06/04/23	EPA Registration #100-1139/100-1456-82757	Prodiamine, Attapulgite Clay, Propylene Glycol
5.	Post Emergent – Herbicide – Escalade – Nufarm, Americas, Alsip, IL	All athletic fields & perimeter lawn areas – 06/04/23	EPA Registration #228-442	Dimethylamine salt of 2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid, 1-Methylheptyl Ester of Fluroxypyr, Dicamba, Solvent Naphtha, Heavy Aromatic
6.	Post Emergent - Herbicide – Dismiss – FMC Corporation Agricultural Products Group, Philadelphia PA	All athletic fields & perimeter lawn areas – 06/04/23	EPA Registration #279-3295	Sulfentrazone, propylene glycol, toluene, oxirane, methyl, polymer w/oxirane, monobutyl ester

Will McKee, Director of Facilities August, 2023

Integrated Pest Management Policy for Northern Burlington County Regional Schools

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, and the principal to implement Integrated Pest Management (IPM) procedures to control pests and minimize exposure of children, faculty, and staff to pesticides. **NORTHERN BURLINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL 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 **NORTHERN BURLINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL 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 School Board, in collaboration with the school building principal, shall be responsible for the development of the IPM plan for the Northern Burlington County Regional schools.

IPM Coordinator The PRINCIPAL of each school building 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/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 **PRINCIPALS OF THE MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOLS** are responsible for timely notification to students' parents or guardians and the school 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. **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 IPM Policy.

Evaluation Annually, the Principals 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 Principal 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

Adopted by the resolution by the Board of Education of the Northern Burlington County Regional School District, March 15, 2004