



Annual Integrated Pest Management Notice for the 2018-2019 School Year

Dear Parent, Guardian, Staff Member or Interested Party,

The East Brunswick Board of Education, in accordance with the New Jersey Pest Management Act of 2002, is presenting this annual notice to make you aware of our Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Policy. The purpose of this notice and the IPM policy is to make you aware that the East Brunswick School Administration ensures that the management of pests (defined later in this notice) is approached with the safety of our children; faculty and all who use school facilities.

Integrated Pest Management in East Brunswick Schools

The specific law, N.J.A.C. 7:30-13 and specifically section 13.1(a) clearly states that *“Integrated Pest Management (IPM) is a way to manage pest control through practical and preventive methods that eliminate or reduce damage caused by pests with a goal of reducing the reliance on pesticide use.”* Therefore, adopting a logical and planned set of actions will allow the District to manage pest situations safely and effectively.

A pest is defined as the unwelcome appearance of insects, rodents, birds, weeds and other similar biological organisms whose presence could disrupt, damage, or endanger the environment of our schools. In order to ensure that our facilities have a proper plan for dealing with the onset or presence of these pests, we have customized our IPM program to achieve those goals.

East Brunswick’s IPM Program will:

- Employ site assessment, monitoring and pest prevention.
- Cultural, mechanical, physical and biological controls will be developed in order to minimize the need for chemical applications.
- Continuing educational programs for affected staff will be maintained so that the most current techniques and information on pest control is available.

Integrated Pest Management Policy for the East Brunswick Board of Education

N.J.A.C. 7:30-13.1 states, “For public schools, the local school board, in collaboration with the building administrator (principal), are responsible for the development of the IPM plan”. The District has complied with this law and will renew its IPM plan annually to capture necessary modifications.

In order to ensure uniform application of the IPM Program across the District, the following individual has been appointed IPM Coordinator:

Name of IPM Coordinator: Gerald Schenck

Phone number: 732-613-6729

The IPM Coordinator also maintains all information on the District's type and use of pesticide and chemical solutions for pest control when deployed. The product labels and Safety Data Sheet (SDS) are available for review by any parent, guardian, student, staff member or other parties who attend or use the school facilities. The IPM Coordinator may also be available to the aforementioned groups for any questions or other information on the IPM program.

Please note that as part of IPM, the District may have an incident where the only alternative is to utilize an approved pesticide as a corrective measure for pest control. The United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) register pesticides to determine that the use of a pesticide in accordance with the instructions printed on the label does not pose an unreasonable risk to human health and the environment. Nonetheless, the USEPA and the NJDEP cannot guarantee that registered pesticides do not pose any risk to every person and therefore, a precaution by those people who may be at risk is warranted. As recommended by the USEPA, people with known allergies or sensitivities to any pesticide or potentially sensitive persons such as women who are pregnant, infants and children should avoid unnecessary pesticide exposure.

In accordance with the USEPA and NJDEP regulations, the District's IPM procedures describe when to control pests and what method is best suited for that purpose. Whether mechanical or biological methods are employed, these principles will be applied by the most cost effective means possible, without compromising the safety of the school occupants or the natural environment. This means, whenever possible, non-chemical solutions will be pursued.

The District IPM plan clearly describes all of the requirements and activities being conducted to ensure compliance with the IPM program. More information concerning IPM may be secured through the District IPM coordinator.

For information purposes during the 2017-18 school years, the following company was used under the IPM plan for the purchase and application of chemicals as a pest solution when warranted. East Brunswick is using this same company for the 2018-19 school years.

Paramount Exterminating
35 Windsor Drive
East Brunswick, NJ
08816 (732) 613-8700

EBBOE
760 Route 18 South
East Brunswick, NJ 08816
(732) 613-6700

Major Regulatory References:

- The School Integrated Pest Management Act of 2002
- N.J.A.C. Title 7 Subchapter 13
- Federal Pesticide Control Act of 1971