

# Annual Integrated Pest Management Notice For Branchburg Township Schools Year 2017-2018

Dear Parent, Guardian, or Staff Member:

This notice is being distributed to comply with the New Jersey School Integrated Pest Management Act. The Branchburg Township schools have adopted an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Policy and have 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 Branchburg Township schools is:

Name of IPM Coordinator: John Hindmarch

Business Phone number: (908) 722-3335 xt. 1630

Business Address: 240 Baird Road, Branchburg NJ 08876

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 Branchburg Township 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.

- **Note: attached policy for your information. More information on our website.**
- **No meeting scheduled at this time. Any questions, feel free to contact me.**
- **Note: attached list of chemicals used in the buildings this past 2016-2017 school year.**
  - **Central – no pesticides used**
  - **Stony Brook – no pesticides used**
  - **Old York – no pesticides used**
  - **Whiton – no pesticides used**