



## TOMS RIVER REGIONAL SCHOOLS

*Annual Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Notice  
for previous School Year: 7/1/2017 – 6/30/2018*

**SCHOOL: CEDAR GROVE ELEMENTARY**  
**PRINCIPAL: JEFFREY D. RYAN**

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

This notice is being distributed to comply with the New Jersey School Integrated Pest Management Act. The Toms River Regional 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 Cedar Grove Elementary is: Jule Raichle

Business Phone Number: 732 505-5633

Business Address: 123 Walnut St. Toms River, NJ 08753

The IPM Coordinator maintains the pesticide product label, and the Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS), for each pesticide product that is 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 Toms River Regional School District 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. . Please notify the IPM Coordinator if you would like to be put on a Sensitive Persons List to be notified prior to pesticide applications at the school.

This notice is to advise you that the following pesticides have been used at Cedar Grove Elementary School during the previous 7/1/2017 – 6/30/2018 school year:

**Mother Earth D for wasps**

Meetings may be held as required to discuss IPM policies, procedures and methods of correction. At this time no meetings are scheduled.

Please review the back page of this report for the District Integrated Pest Management Policy.



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## **Integrated Pest Management Policy for the Toms River Regional School District**

In accordance with the New Jersey Integrated Pest Management Act of 2002 the Toms River Regional School District has adopted and implemented plans and procedures to minimize children, faculty, and staff exposure to pesticides.

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.

The Toms River Regional School District plan is a blueprint of how each school will manage pests through IPM methods. The plan will address site-specific needs and concerns of facilities on an individual basis. The Toms River Board of Education, in collaboration with School Administration/IPM Coordinator, shall be responsible for the development of the IPM plan for each school.

The Toms River Regional School District will designate an Integrated Pest Management Coordinator, who is responsible for the implementation of the school integrated pest management policy.

The IPM Coordinator, 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.

The school community 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.

School Administration is responsible for the 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.

The IPM Coordinator shall ensure that applicators follow state regulations, licensing requirements, label precautions, and all components of the School IPM Policy.

Annually, School Administration/IPM Coordinator will report to the school board on the effectiveness of the IPM plans and make recommendations for improvement as needed.