

## Town of West Hartford – West Hartford Public Schools



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To: All West Hartford Public School Building Occupants

From: Robert Palmer, Director of Plant & Facilities Services

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "R. Palmer", written over the name "Robert Palmer" in the "From:" field.

Date: September 2015

Re: IPM (Integrated Pest Management) Plan

On June 27, 2000, the Board of Education approved a policy on Integrated Pest Management required of the State of Connecticut, Public Act No. 99-165. The West Hartford Public School system has implemented an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) plan for our school buildings and grounds. The plan, which will be administered through the Plant & Facilities Services Department, deals with the use of pesticides in the buildings and on the grounds.

Any person within the staff or student population may **register at their school** so that they may receive prior notice of pesticide applications. Such notice shall be given twenty-four hours in advance to any and all registrants. **Please note that pesticide applications (inside or outside) are not done during the school day while the students or staff are present, except in emergency conditions.**

The pesticide application activity for the prior year (2014) is on the other side of this letter. Please feel free to contact Paul Edlund, Manager of Building Services, if you have any questions (860) 561-7920.

## PESTICIDE APPLICATION REVIEW FOR 2014-2015

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During the 2014-15 school year our pesticide contractor (Orkin Pest Control) provided services to all our buildings. Chemicals were applied to areas where infestations occurred or were most likely to occur. Their service included the following:

Maxforce Roach Bait Stations  
Cy-Kick (insects)  
Maxforce FC Select roach Gel Bait (insects)  
Contract Weather Blok (rodents)  
Advion Roach Gel Bait  
Temprid SC  
Talstar P  
Advion ant gel

Inspections were conducted in food service and support areas with classrooms being inspected and treated only upon request. Minimal preventive treatments were performed using baits, glue traps, and monitors. The pesticides were applied into cracks and crevices where pests seek shelter.

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During the school year 2014-15 our in-house grounds staff serviced the grounds of all our schools from this list of potential products. Please note not all these products were utilized but represent what could be used. Due to recent changes in Connecticut State law, West Hartford Public Schools no longer makes applications at the elementary and middle school levels. These applications can no longer be done for aesthetic reasons but can be completed under very strict guidelines related to health. The services included:

### PRODUCT/PRECAUTIONARY TERM

<u>Weed Control</u>		<u>Insect Control</u>
Round Up	Dismiss	Merit
Scythe	Defendor	Talstar
Lesco 3-Way Ester	Pylex	Pyrethrin
Lontrel	Glyphosate	Ex-Pire Hornet & Wasp Spray
Dimension	Tenacity	Dylox
Lesco Pre-M	TZone	Meridian
Acclaim	Propane	Acelepryn
Pennant	Hot water	Tetramethrin
Bent Grass Select	(steam)	Permethrin
Surge		Arena
Prosecutor Swift Action		Lambda
Manage		Safari
Barricade		Spray Oil
Propane		
Matratec		<u>Disease Control</u>
Sure Guard		Bayleton
Meridian		

Approximately 80% of the chemical choices we used were in the *Caution* category. The remaining 20% were used infrequently and with discretion.