



CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF NEW BRITAIN

Board Policy Statement

3524.10 - Pesticide Application

Approved on May 16, 2011

In conformity with applicable statutes, the intent of this policy is to ensure that staff, students, and parents/guardians receive adequate advance notice of pesticide applications in school buildings or on school grounds. The District will only employ certified pesticide applicators for any non-emergency pesticide use in school buildings or grounds.

A “pesticide” is defined as a fungicide used on plants, an insecticide, a herbicide, or a rodenticide but does not mean a sanitizer, disinfectant, antimicrobial agent or pesticide bait.

The Board is committed to minimizing the use of pesticides. Therefore, the primary practice of pest control shall involve reducing/eliminating the conditions necessary for pest survival. These measures include but are not limited to good housekeeping and routine, prompt maintenance of buildings and grounds.

As required by State statute, the District through the Director of Facilities shall:

- A. Annually inform parents/guardians and staff of the District’s pest application/management policy and a description of any pesticide applications made during the previous school year.
- B. Establish a registry of parents/guardians and staff who want to receive advance notice of all pesticide use and provide such notice.
- C. Provide notice to students, parents/guardians and employees of planned pesticide application.
- D. Make pesticide applications only after regular school hours or planned activities.
- E. Maintain written records for five years of all pesticide applications.

In accordance with Public Act 99-165, you have the right to prior notice of pesticide applications during the school year. You may register at the school for this notice. Registration at your child’s school will ensure that notice be sent to you prior to application of pesticides at that school. During normal planned pesticide applications, notice will be mailed so as to be received 24 hours prior to application. In the event of an emergency pesticide application, notice will be sent (by any means practicable) on the day before or the day of the application.

Legal References/Citations

Connecticut General Statutes: 22a-46, 22a-57, 22a-58, 23-61a., 23-61b and PA 99-165