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PESTICIDE APPLICATION POLICY NOTICE

In accordance with Public Act No. 99-165, Newtown Board of Education recently approved a pesticide application policy that includes an integrated pest management plan. The plan requires that alternative methods be employed prior to using a pesticide, which is defined as a fungicide on plants, an insecticide, a herbicide, or a rodenticide. Whenever it is deemed necessary to apply a pesticide, it will be done during a period when school is not in session and there are no planned activities on school grounds. All individuals applying pesticides will hold the proper State of Connecticut certification. Children will not be allowed to enter an area where application has been made until it is safe to do so according to the provisions of the pesticide label.

The plan also provides for pesticide application notification to parents and guardians of enrolled students of Newtown School, as well as its staff. Notification will be posted at each school prior to application of any pesticide. Also, parents or guardians will be advised of the planned date and location of the pesticide application and its active ingredients.

Requests for additional information should be directed to John Barlow, Director of Facilities at facilities@newtown.k12.ct.us or 203-426-7615.