



Annual Integrated Pest Management Notice For School Year 2023-2024

Dear Parent, Guardian, or Staff Member:

This notice is being distributed to comply with the New Jersey School Integrated Pest Management Act. Galloway Township Public Schools has adopted an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Policy and has implemented an IPM Plan to comply with this law. IPM is a holistic, preventative approach to managing pests that is explained further in the districts IPM Policy which can be viewed at- <https://www.gtps.k12.nj.us>.

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 in schools.

The IPM Coordinator for Galloway Township Public Schools is:

Name of Coordinator: Rocco Rosetti, CEFM
Business Phone Number: 609-748-1250 ext. 5121
Business Address: 101 S. Reeds Road Galloway, NJ 08205

The IPM Coordinator maintains the pesticide product label, and the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) (when one is available), of each pesticide product that may be used on school property. The label and the SDS 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 member for information and to discuss comments about IPM activities and pesticide use at the school.

As part of a school pest management plan Galloway Township Public 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.

- ✚ The Board of Education adopts and/or modifies the IPM plan, policy and appoints its IPM coordinator(s) at a workshop/regular meeting held at Galloway Township Middle School in the cafeteria at 6:00pm on the third and/or forth Monday in May.
- ✚ The only pesticides used in the district within the past 12 months were WASP-FREEZE (Wasp & Hornet Killer Formula 1) and TERMIDOR applied by Western Pest Services a licensed pesticide applicator.