

**TO:** The Sayreville Board of Education

**FROM:** James Kolmansperger

**RE:** Integrated Pest Management (IPM) District Evaluation Report – August 23, 2022

The Sayreville School District will continue to work together to follow the IPM protocols set in place. In accordance with our IPM Policy, with input from the School Principals and Food Service Coordinator, the following is this year's annual report on the effectiveness of IPM in our district.

**Arleth Elementary School**

***Principal:*** The staff continues to follow IPM protocols and procedures. Minor pest concerns including evidence of mice were reported to the head custodian and logged into the book for review. Concerns were addressed in a timely manner. Daily cleaning and maintenance are performed in all classrooms.

***Response:*** IPM protocols are being followed by the custodial staff as issues occur.

**Eisenhower Elementary School**

***Principal:*** Eisenhower School's issues with mice inside and outside the building have been minimal and still appears to be under control. Ants have been a concern in several classrooms and the custodians do an excellent job in handling these issues. We continue to reinforce the importance of students cleaning up after themselves after breakfast, lunch and snack. Daily general maintenance is performed in all classrooms. New, less toxic pest control tactics are in place and appear to be effective. Our custodial staff continues to adhere to IPM protocols and procedures. Teachers are reminded to recycle in their classrooms.

***Response:*** All staff is doing an excellent job in being proactive and keeping any pests under control.

**Truman Elementary School**

***Principal:*** Pest control has been satisfactory both inside and outside of the school. We continue to be productive in all areas of appropriate pest management. We had a small issue with gnats and mice earlier in the year and a treatment plan was implemented immediately. The custodial staff continues to keep up with this issue as well as all the other needs of the building.

***Response:*** The custodial staff takes care of issues as they arise and documents properly.

**Wilson Elementary School**

***Principal:*** Our staff continues to follow all aspects of the IPM procedures. Pest management is under control both inside and outside of the building.

***Response:*** Custodians do an excellent job in taking care of any issues that occur and following IPM protocols.

**Samsel Upper Elementary School**

***Principal:*** SUES continues to have ants and mice in classroom and hallways. We continue to encourage staff to keep any food/candy in plastic containers. When custodians are made aware of situations, they either clean the area or set traps.

***Response:*** Custodians stay on top of the protocols in taking care of any insects and mice in the school and documenting.

### Sayreville Middle School

*Principal:* The IPM protocols and procedures utilized at the Middle School for the school year worked well and we saw a decrease in mice as well as wood roaches. However, recently we have seen an increase in ants and hornets' nests around the school building. These are areas of concern for the administration as well as our staff. It is recommended in the coming year that similar and even more proactive attention be paid to identify areas in which ants and hornets are present. These areas must be treated or acted upon before they infiltrate our building. All protocols work very well.

*Response:* The custodial staff is doing a great job keeping up with the IPM protocols and are very proactive.

### Sayreville War Memorial High School

*Principal:* The areas of concern are ants and mice in the cafeteria, kitchen, nurse's office, school counseling office, CST offices, and main office where these battles are constant. Issues are only temporarily, resolved using IPM. In the warmer weather, the insects swarm and the problem remains. This past year, we had multiple ant problems in the main office. Students and staff work together regarding any problems in the building.

*Response:* The custodial staff is prompt in doing a great job in keeping pest issues under control.

### Project Before at Cheesequake

*Principal:* IPM protocols and procedures continue to be in place at Cheesequake. Minor pest concerns were reported to the main office. The head custodian was notified. All concerns were noted in the IPM Log Book. Treatment plans were implemented and resolved pest issues in a timely manner.

*Response:* All staff is following IPM protocols and working to keep minor pest concerns to a minimum.

### Selover School

*Director of Facilities:* The custodial staff at Selover works together to keep pests under control. IPM protocols are being followed and documentation is done properly.

### District Cafeterias/Kitchens

*Food Service Coordinator:* When an incident occurs, the Food Service Department employees immediately contact the custodial staff and Food Service Administration who would react immediately with their action plan. Arleth, Cheesequake, Eisenhower, Truman, Wilson, and SUES have minimal incidents. The Middle School has encountered droppings in the storage room with the dishwasher and chewed through boxes and food items in the other storage area. The High School has encountered dead rodents on glue boards behind the cooking equipment and gnats coming from the drains in all areas of the kitchen. Dead rodents were removed by custodial staff and fans are left on to disperse gnats.

*Response:* Custodians will continue to make all cafeterias a priority when it comes to the IPM protocols and handle any issues that arise.