

Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District
131 Yawpo Avenue, Oakland New Jersey 07436

July 1, 2024

RE: Annual Integrated Pest Management Notice for School Year 2024-2025

Dear Parent, Guardian, and Staff Members:

This notice is being distributed to comply with the New Jersey School Integrated Pest Management Act. The Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District has adopted an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Policy and has implemented an IPM Plan to comply with this law. IPM is a holistic, preventive approach to managing pests that is explained further in the schools IPM Policy included with this notice.

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 at the school.

The IPM Coordinator for the Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District is Frank Primiani, cell phone number is 201-312-3710. The business address is Board of Education, Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District, 131 Yawpo Avenue, Oakland, New Jersey 07436.

The IPM Coordinator maintains the IPM logbooks, records, pesticide product label, and the Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) of each pesticide product that may be used on school property. The label and the MSDS are available for review by a parent, guardian, staff member, or student attending the school. The binders are in the main office of each school. Also, the IPM Coordinator is available to parents, guardians, and staff members for information and to discuss comments about IPM activities and pesticide use at the school.

As part of a school pest management plan IPM the Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District may use pesticides to control pests, but, the Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District will use all IPM practices first such as low impact, green products, and IPM practice before using pesticides. 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 school district IPM policy can be found on the district website under policy # 7422, If you cannot access our website, a hard copy will be available upon your request. As stated by regulation you will be notified of the date, time and place of any meeting to adopt or modify the school integrated pest management policy. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Frank Primiani, CEFM