

Weston Public Schools



Notification to staff and parents of Green Cleaning Products in use in our schools.

As of July 1st, 2011, all schools are required to provide a green cleaning program for the cleaning and maintenance of our school buildings and facilities in the district. No person shall use a cleaning product inside a school unless such product meets guidelines or environmental standards set by a national or international environmental certification program approved by the Connecticut Department of Administrative Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Environmental Protection. Such cleaning shall, to the maximum extent possible, minimize the potential harmful impact on human health and the environment.

The Weston Public School District began using approved Green Cleaning products fully in 2010. As we are entering into flu-season, we are sending this reminder out that no parent, guardian teacher, or staff member may bring into the school facility any consumer product which is intended to clean, deodorize, sanitize or disinfect. We need the cooperation of staff and parents to both comply with the law, and protect the health of students and staff. This will help in our efforts to improve the health for school occupants by reducing children's, teacher's, custodian's and other staff's exposure to toxic chemicals and asthma triggers that can be found in cleaning products. These include bleach, phenols, and ammonia often found in many over the counter general purpose cleaners. Disinfectant hand lotion is available in all school buildings for students and staff, and staff may also obtain spray bottles of approved cleaners for their own use from our custodians.

For more information on our Green Cleaning program, please contact Dan Clarke, Director of Facilities at 203-291-1407.

Thank you