NEW MILFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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GREEN CLEANING PROGRAM

IN SCHOOLS

(CT PUBLIC ACT 09-81)

The State of Connecticut requires that each local and regional board of education implement a green cleaning program for all school buildings and facilities in its district.

The New Milford Public Schools is committed to the implementation of this law by providing the staff and, upon request, the parents and guardians of children enrolled in each school with a written statement of the school district's green cleaning program. It is also posted annually on its website. The program will be distributed to new staff hired during the school year and to parents or guardians of students transferring in during the school year.

1. Green cleaning program means the procurement and proper use of environmentally preferable cleaning products as defined by the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) for all state owned buildings, schools, and facilities. DAS currently requires that environmentally preferable cleaning products be independently certified by one of two third-party certified organizations: ***Green Seal or Eco Logo***.

2. By July 1, 2011, and thereafter, no person shall use a cleaning product in a public school, unless it meets the DAS standard.

3. The types of cleaning products covered in this legislation include: general purpose, bathroom, and glass cleaners; floor strippers and finishes; hand cleaners, and soaps. The preferred green cleaning products used by this school district are listed on attachment "A."

4. Disinfectants, disinfectant cleaners, sanitizers, or antimicrobial products regulated by the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act are not covered by this law.

The following statement will be part of this school district's program as stated in the new law;
"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."

The implementation of this program requires the support and cooperation of everyone including administrators, faculty, staff, parents, guardians, and facilities staff.

GREEN CLEANING PROGRAM AND PRODUCT LIST

The New Milford Public Schools has initiated a Green Cleaning Program, in order to reduce the chance of exposure for anyone using NMPS facilities, from products that might adversely affect human health and the environment, effective July 1, 2011.

As part of this ongoing effort, NMPS will work to eliminate any cleaning products brought in from the outside. CT Public Act 09-81 prohibits any parent, teacher, or staff member from bringing in any consumer products for cleaning. Custodial staff will be provided with regular training in order for them to be knowledgeable in green cleaning procedures, to comply with Public Act 09-81, and to provide a safe and clean environment for all.

The components of our Green Cleaning Program, as required by Connecticut Public Act 09-81, include the following:

- A description and names of environmental, preferable cleaning products being used in the schools.
- The location(s) and application of where cleaning products are used.
- The schedule and/or frequency of when these cleaning products are used.
- Eliminating and monitoring cleaning products being brought in from outside sources as required by law.
- The manufacturer name and website information.
    - M.D. Stetson Co. Inc., 92 York Ave., Randolph, MA, 02368, Phone # 800-255-8651. Web site: www.mdstetson.com
- Names and designees who may be contacted for further information.
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GREEN SEAL CERTIFIED PRODUCTS - Manufactured by M.D. Stetson			
Product Name:	**Product Description:**	**Location/Area:**	**Frequency:**
PC101	Neutral & Glass Cleaner	Daily Tile Floor Cleaning, Mirrors, Glass	Daily
PC108	Spray & Wipe Cleaner	All Surfaces, Desks, Tables, Etc.	Daily
PC113	Carpet Spot Remover	Carpets, Upholstery	As Needed
PC116	Non-Acid Rest Room Cleaner	All Restroom Fixtures, Showers	Daily
PC120	Peroxide Multi-Cleaner	Restroom & Kitchen Floors	Daily
PRODUCTS NOT COVERED BY THIS LAW:			
Product Name:	**Product Description:**	**Location/Area:**	**Frequency:**
PC103	Disinfectant 256 HBV	Restrooms, Nurses' Offices, Hard Surfaces	Daily & As Needed