



ARLINGTON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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The Facilities and Operations Department oversees the groundskeeping and maintenance of eleven schools, two bus garages and 5 pump houses, comprising a total of 1,500,000 square feet of total building area. Lawn maintenance is performed for 300 acres of grass, as well as snow removal for all parking lots and roads on district property.

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Dear Parent, Guardian, and School Staff:

New York State Education Law Section 409-H, effective July 1, 2001, requires all public and nonpublic elementary and secondary schools to provide written notification to all persons in parental relation, faculty, and staff regarding the potential use of pesticides periodically throughout the school year. The Arlington Central School District is required to maintain a list of persons in parental relation, faculty, and staff who wish to receive 48-hour prior written notification of certain pesticide applications. The following pesticide applications are **not** subject to prior notification requirements:

- a school remains unoccupied for a continuous 72-hours following an application;
- anti-microbial products;
- nonvolatile rodenticides in tamper resistant bait stations in areas inaccessible to children;
- nonvolatile insecticidal baits in tamper resistant bait stations in areas inaccessible to children;
- silica gel and other nonvolatile ready-to-use pastes, foams, or gels in areas inaccessible to children;
- boric acid and disodium octaborate tetrahydrate;
- the application of EPA designated biopesticides;
- the application of EPA designated exempt materials under 40CFR152.25;
- the use of aerosol products with a directed spray in containers of 18 fluid ounces or less when used to protect individuals from an imminent threat from stinging and biting insects including venomous spiders, bees, wasps, and hornets.

In the event of an emergency application necessary to protect against an imminent threat to human health, a good faith effort will be made to supply notification to parents, guardians and staff of the location that is affected. **This notification will be sent via our ParentSquare notification system.**

Please feel free to contact John Wilson, Director of School Facilities and Operations, the Arlington Central School District pesticide representative at: 144 Todd Hill Road, Lagrangeville, NY 12540, Office (845) 486-4977, Fax (845) 350-4093, for further information on these requirements.

Sincerely,

John Wilson, Director of School Facilities & Operations

"We are Arlington"

The goal of the Facilities & Operations Department is to provide unsurpassed services, maintaining the highest standard of visual and physical comfort for all students, staff and the Arlington community, while ensuring fiscal responsibility with our District's investments.