

VERNON VERONA SHERRILL CENTRAL SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

I am writing to inform you of three NYS Education Laws which require School Districts to provide annual notifications to parents.

Integrated Pest Management

The first pertains to the Integrated Pest Management practices and pesticide notification requirements. This law requires the District to plan for a least toxic approach to integrated pest management.

Our District has always utilized a conservative and safety conscious approach to pest management which meets and exceeds the Department of Environmental Conservation and Environmental Protection Agency guidelines and timelines.

In keeping with this new NYS Education Law requirement we are providing you with the following notification:

The Vernon-Verona-Sherrill School District uses Integrated Pest Management practices to reduce the use of pesticides in the District buildings and on the grounds. It may be necessary, however, to use pesticides periodically during the year. New York State law requires that schools maintain a list of staff and parents who wish to receive written notice forty-eight (48) hours prior to a pesticide application at their school facility if the school building will be occupied within seventy-two (72) hours of an application. If you wish to be included on this notification list or would like further information on the District's pesticides program, please contact Mr. Mark Wixson, Asst. Superintendent for Finance and Operations @ 829-2520, ext. 7201

Asbestos Management Plan

The second pertains to Asbestos Management practices. NYS Education Law requires that School Districts maintain an Asbestos Management Plan, and notify school personnel of the availability of the Plan for review.

If you wish to review the District's Asbestos Management Plan, please contact Mr. Mark Wixson, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations @ 829-2520, ext. 7201.

Accommodation of Hearing Impaired Parents

The third pertains to Accommodation of Hearing Impaired Parents. The VVS School District provides parents of and persons in parental relation to, District-enrolled students many opportunities to participate in their child's educational program. If the parent or person in parental relation is hearing impaired, the District provides interpreter services (American Sign Language), or if not available, other reasonable accommodations of the hearing impairment at no cost to the parent or person in parental relation, to facilitate that person's participation in school initiated meetings.

NYS Education Law requires that School Districts notify on an annual basis, parents or person in parental relation of the availability of the above accommodations. VVS Board of Education Policy #1041 provides further details. If you have any questions regarding this policy, please contact Mr. Mark Wixson, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations @ 829-2520 ext. 7201.