WENTWORTH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Cleaning and Chemicals Facility Maintenance Plan

Regular and thorough cleaning is an important means for the removal of air pollutant sources. However, the use of cleaning products may also contribute to indoor air pollution. To ensure that cleaning practices remove pollutant sources while using cleaning products appropriately, guidelines have been created.

- Custodial staff shall only use cleaning agents approved by the district for school use. All products must be clearly labeled and stored in a secure area. Bottles of cleaning agents must be tightly closed when stored.
- All material safety data sheets should be stored in an area available to all staff.
- Rooms must be kept clean. Slightly damp cloths are used to remove dust from surfaces, however, wiped surfaces should not be left damp or wet for extended periods of time, since this can cause mold growth.
- Ammonia-based cleaning agents and chlorine-containing cleaners (such as bleach) must never be mixed because this generates toxic gases.
- Areas of frequent use should be cleaned more often than areas of infrequent use.
- Large walk-off mats must be used to trap dirt and moisture at building entrances. These mats are cleaned according to manufacturer's guidelines to ensure optimal performance. Trapping dirt and moisture at buildings entrances helps to maintain the cleanliness of floors and carpets throughout the building.
- Staff are not permitted to bring any cleaning products, pesticides, air fresheners or other chemicals into the school.
- No citrus cleaning products.

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