



DERBY PUBLIC SCHOOLS Green Cleaning Policy

forming to Connecticut State Bill 6496, the bill requires local and regional boards of education to "Green Cleaning Program" on or before October 1, 2011. It must also make available to the public a copy of its Green Cleaning Policy or posted on its website. Derby Public Schools has decided to post its policy on our school website. A written copy can be viewed any day that the Central Office 35 Fifth St. Derby CT 06418, Monday thru Friday 9AM to 3PM.

Derby Public Schools believes that the implementation of our Green Cleaning Program is an essential component of providing a Clean, Safe, and Healthy environment for our students, faculty, staff and community. We have designed our program around three core components – People, Process and Product. It is Derby Public Schools belief that each core component is equally important to providing our community with the best learning and working environment.

In designing our Green Cleaning Program we have developed a policy that promotes the training and education of our custodial staff, students, faculty and administrators – the "People" part of our core approach. Each has been educated on the importance of Green Cleaning and maintaining the built environment utilizing processes and products that meet Green standards within our budget. We have trained our Custodial staffs and faculty in how to clean effectively and to utilize tools and products that minimize the impact on natural resources, the community and the physical structure. All Material Safety Data Sheets will be maintained along with the Green Cleaning Policy and Program in the School Offices. Derby Public Schools wants each student and faculty member to know that we are concerned about their wellness and to document any special needs or health concerns that need to be addressed in our Green Cleaning Program.

Derby Public Schools is following the CIMS-GB Green Building Program for implementing, evaluating and continuously improving our Green Cleaning Program. CIMS-GB is an independent third party certification organization that has been recognized by the US Green Building Council, "USGBC" is the authoritative process developer and certifier for the cleaning industry. CIMS-GB was developed in conjunction with the International Sanitary Supply Association. A copy of the CIMS-GB policy and procedures is contained in our Green Cleaning Program and can be viewed with the rest of our program in the Central Office. Our goal is to have the most effective, efficient and economical Green Cleaning Process.

Derby Public Schools will utilize products that have been independently certified as being Green and considered Sustainable according to independent third party certifying organizations listed below:

- 1)USGBC – US Green Building Council
- 2) DFE – Designed for the Environment-EPA
- 3) Paper Stuff
- 4) Post Consumer stuff
- 5) Slip and fall stuff
- 6) Equipment – CRI, meets filtration, Propane standard, Slip and fall (Tennant) etc., water consumption reduction and safety standards

All Products, Specifications and written conformance with the listed certifying organizations are on file with our Green Cleaning Program located in the Central Office. Each product has been selected based on it meeting the standards listed above and that it offers the "lowest total cost" to provide Derby Public Schools with Clean, Safe and Healthy buildings!

It is the policy of Derby Public Schools that as of October 1, 2011 that no products of any type, including hand sanitizers, hand soap, cleaning chemicals, wipes or deodorizers (this includes commercial or store bought) maybe brought onto school property by any student, faculty, staff, member of the community or administrator without prior written approval by the Derby Public Schools Green Coordinator. David M. Nardone Facilities Manager has been named as Green Coordinator for Derby Public Schools. and can be reached through the Central Office at 203-736-5027, or Dnardone@derbyps.org. We will be updating our Green Cleaning Program on a yearly basis.