

Cannon Falls Public Schools 2022-23 Annual Notifications

ANNUAL PARENT NOTIFICATIONS Minnesota Statute requires we provide annual notification to parents of Cannon Falls Area Schools students of the topics below. If you have any questions, please use the contact number found in the notice.

LEAD-IN-WATER ANNUAL NOTIFICATION Minnesota Statute 121A.335 requires public school buildings serving kindergarten through grade 12 to test for lead in water every 5 years. This statute also requires school districts to make the results of the testing available to the public for review and to notify parents of the availability of the information. Notification may be accomplished by publishing a statement in the “Back to School” newsletter or publication that is available to staff, students, parents and the public.

Cannon Falls Area Schools is committed to providing a safe working and learning environment for employees and students. The district has developed a lead in water management plan and testing program that complies with Minnesota Statute 121A.335, as well as recommendations from the Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA’s) Lead Contamination Control Act (LCCA) of 1988 and the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH), and Minnesota Department of Education (MDE).

For more information on Cannon Falls Area Schools lead reduction and testing program, please contact Dave Petersen at Cannon Falls High School (507) 263-6800 ext. 1450 petersen.dave@cf.k12.mn.us.

AHERA (ASBESTOS) ANNUAL NOTIFICATION During the past school year and continuing into the 2021-22 school year, the following asbestos management plan activities have been or are currently being completed. These activities are pursuant to the Environmental Protection Agency 40 CFR Part 763- “Asbestos Containing Materials in Schools; Final Rule and Notice.”

- Two (2) Semi-Annual Periodic Surveillance Inspections
- Immediate response items from the Semi-Annual Periodic Surveillances
- Notification of Asbestos Locations for Short-Term Workers (Electricians, Plumbers, etc.)
- Training of District Personnel

Cannon Falls Area Schools has contracted with the Institute for Environmental Assessment to provide environmental consulting services. The complete updated Asbestos Management Plan for Cannon Falls Public Schools can be found at the Facilities and Maintenance office. The Management Plan can be viewed without cost or restriction, during normal working hours. Copies can also be obtained for a fee of \$.10 per page.

If you have questions concerning the Asbestos Management Plan, please contact Dave Petersen at Cannon Falls High School (507) 263-6800 ext. 1450 petersen.dave@cf.k12.mn.us

INDOOR AIR QUALITY ANNUAL NOTIFICATION The school has in place an indoor air quality management plan. The management plan contains policies and procedures that are used in the schools to address indoor air quality issues. The management plan will be reviewed annually and will also be Board approved each fiscal year.

If you have questions concerning indoor air quality, or would like to use the EPA Tools for Schools checklists, please contact the District Indoor Air Quality Coordinator, Dave Petersen at Cannon Falls High School (507) 263-6800 ext. 1450 petersen.dave@cf.k12.mn.us.

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INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT (PESTICIDE) ANNUAL NOTIFICATION All Minnesota schools are required to inform parents/guardians and school employees that they may request to be notified prior to pesticide application on school property. Pesticides include chemicals which are used to control insects, weeds, rodents, or other pests as defined by the law ([MN Statutes: 121A.30](#)).

In order to provide the required information, schools must maintain a list of parents/guardians and school employees who request notification. Schools must also provide information about pesticides, and individual pesticide applications upon request. This is to include the name of the pesticide product, and the time and location of the planned application. An estimated schedule of pesticide applications is available for review or copying at the school office.

Pesticides and non-chemical treatments may be used in combination in and around schools for a variety of reasons, including the controls of pests which have the potential to bite, sting, spread disease, cause asthma, and/or trigger allergic reaction. Pesticides may also be used to prevent or control damage to materials within the school building or to the school building itself, or to control pests or weeds that are seen as a nuisance. The long-term effects on children from the application of such pesticides or the class of chemicals to which they belong may not be fully understood. Children may be more susceptible to pesticide than adults due to their smaller size and rapid growth and development. Also their playful behavior may expose them to more pesticide residue. To limit the potential pesticide exposure, this school follows safety regulations to ensure pesticides are applied properly.

All pesticide products, which are used in and around school buildings, are required to be registered with the Minnesota Department of Agriculture and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. In addition, school employees and certified and licensed applicators are required by state and federal law to comply with all requirements of the pesticide label, including building sites, application rates, re-entry intervals, posting, use of personal protective equipment, use restrictions, and disposal on the product label.

To be notified about pesticide application, contact: Dave Petersen, Director of Facilities and Maintenance, Cannon Falls Public Schools – 820 E. Minnesota Street Cannon Falls MN 55009 petersen.dave@cf.k12.mn.us.