

Griswold Public Schools
Green Cleaning Policy

In consideration of and conforming to Connecticut State Bill 6496, the bill requires local and regional boards of education to implement a "Green Cleaning Program" on or before October 1, 2011. Griswold Schools must also make available to the public a copy of its Green Cleaning Policy either in writing or posted on its website. Griswold Schools has decided to post its policy on our school website. A written copy can be viewed in the main offices of GES GMS GHS GAS.

Griswold 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 the premise that the usage of Green products, Green cleaning techniques and more environmentally friendly machinery will not only conform to state standards but will also benefit future generations of students and staff. It is Griswold schools belief that each 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. Our custodial staff has been educated on the importance of Green Cleaning and maintaining our buildings utilizing processes and products that meet Green standards. We have trained our Custodial staff on how to clean effectively and to utilize tools, products and machinery that minimizes the impact on natural resources, the community and the physical structure.

Griswold Schools will utilize products that have been certified as being Green according to independent third party organizations. These products consist of the following:

- Hillyard Arsenal #8 Super Shine All Neutral Cleaner
- Hillyard Arsenal #33 Suprox Peroxide Cleaner
- Hillyard Arsenal #27 Green Select Glass Cleaner
- Hillyard Arsenal #28 Green Select Degreaser
- Hillyard Ep-22 Floor Finish
- Hillyard Green Select Floor Stripper
- Hillyard Green Select Foaming Hand Soap
- Hillyard Contender Gym Floor Finish
- Taski Wiwax floor finish
- Mostenbockers Lift-Off ink remover
- Mostenbockers Lift-Off grease stain remover
- 3m 3h Neutral cleaner
- 3m 11 Glass cleaner
- ProLink green hand soap

All products are used in accordance with recommended cleaning procedures. All applications of listed products occur during off school hours (except spot cleaning and hand soap usage) through out GPS

All product specifications and MSDS are on file with our Green Cleaning Program located in the Facilities Directors' office. Each product has been selected based on it meeting the standards listed above and its ability to provide Griswold Schools with Clean, Safe and Healthy buildings.

It is the policy of Griswold Schools that as of July 1, 2011 that no parent, guardian, teacher, or staff member may bring into the school facilities any consumer product which is intended to clean, deodorize, sanitize or disinfect, including hand sanitizers, hand soap, cleaning chemicals, wipes or deodorizers (this includes commercial or store bought).

We will be updating our Green Cleaning Program on a yearly basis to include any advances in Green cleaning products or machinery. For further information about our Green Cleaning Program contact Facilities Director Tom Verville
tverville@griswoldpublicschools.org 860-376-7690