

## COMMON GROUND HIGH SCHOOL GREEN CLEANING POLICY

As of July 1, 2011 Public Act 09-81 requires that every Connecticut board of education implement a green cleaning program for all school buildings and facilities in its district. PA 09-81 also specifies that Connecticut boards of education procure and use only environmentally preferable cleaning products as defined by the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) for all school facilities. DAS currently requires that environmentally preferable cleaning products be independently certified by one of two third party certified organizations: **Green Seal** or **Eco Logo**.

Common Ground is committed to the implementation of this law and has adopted the following policy to ensure compliance:

1. That as of July 1, 2011 all general purpose cleaners, bathroom cleaners, glass cleaners, floor strippers and finishes, hand cleaners and soaps used by Common Ground High School will meet the DAS standard. Disinfectants, disinfectant cleaners, sanitizers or antimicrobial products regulated by the federal insecticide, fungicide and rodenticide act are not covered by this law.
2. All staff as well as the parents and guardians of each child enrolled at Common Ground High School shall be provided with a written statement of the school district's green cleaning policy. The policy shall also be made available on its website annually.
3. The types, names and locations of all cleaning products used in the school and a schedule of when listed cleaning products are applied shall be appended to this policy as attachment A.

The following statement will be part of this school districts program as stated in the new law:

**“NO PARENT, GUARDIAN, TEACHER OR STAFF MEMBER MAY BRING INTO THE SCHOOL FACILITY ANY CONSUMER PRODUCT WHICH IS INTENDED TO CLEAN, DEODORIZE, SANITIZE OR DISINFECT.”**

The implementation of this program requires the support and cooperation of everyone including administrators, faculty, staff, parents, guardians and facilities staff. The transition to environmentally preferable and health-friendly cleaning and/or sanitizing products shall be accomplished as quickly as possible in a manner that avoids the waste of existing inventories.

Any questions concerning the program can be directed to:

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Attachment A: List of Cleaning Products in use at Common Ground  
2011-2012 School Year

<b>PRODUCT</b>	<b>Where Used</b>	<b>When Used</b>
Green Seal Certified Luxury Foaming Bathroom Hand Soap	All Bathrooms	Daily
Aspire Floor Sealer/Finish	All Floors	December and June
Green Impact Floor Stripper	All Floors	December and June
Shazyme Bathroom Cleaner and Deoderizer	Girls and Boys Bathrooms downstairs	Daily
Johnson's GP Forward All Purpose Cleaner	Kitchen and Bathrooms	Daily