

Tools for Schools/Indoor Air Quality Updates
2011-2012 School Year
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Did you know ...there is a Top Ten No or Low Cost TFS/IAQ Interventions Protocol outlined by the CT School Indoor Environment Team (CSIERT) and Westport Public Schools follows all of them? They are:

- Address clutter issues by starting an anti-clutter campaign at each school. This includes removal of: stuffed animals, non new upholstered furniture and stuffed pillows, teaching items such as books and papers that are no longer used, etc. See IAQ Improvement Procedures dated May 12, 2011 at www.westport.k12.ct.us. Go to District-Tools for Schools Procedures.
- Regularly do reminders and spot checks to make sure staff and students are not blocking airflow on unit ventilators with papers, books or other materials.
- Develop student run pick up/clean up campaigns (including inside lockers) scheduled at the end of each day to assist in keeping the buildings clean.
- Make sure there are proper walk off mats at every entry. 8% of dirt and dust enter the building via entryways. Consider limiting the number of entryways used after recess at the elementary schools to lower the amount of dirt and dust tracked in.
- Do not bring any unapproved cleaning products or air fresheners into the schools. Remember items used must be fragrance free. It is the law.
- Make sure there is an active Integrated Pest Management (IPM) program in place where the building teams regularly remind staff to properly store food in hard plastic containers and cleanup food after classroom snacks.
- Prevent bus idling near the buildings including enforcement of existing idling laws.
- Make sure combustion appliances are maintained.
- Establish a no pets in the classroom policy.
- Use TFS to educate building occupants about what they can do to maintain good IAQ.