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FLOOD SAFETY



Flooding in Central New York is a possible threat every spring as the snow pack melts and the rains approach. In fact, ninety percent of all presidentially declared natural disasters involve flooding.

Turn Around Don't Drown™ is a NOAA National Weather Service campaign to warn people of the hazards of walking or driving a vehicle through flood waters. More than half of all flood related deaths are vehicle related, resulting from vehicles being swept downstream. Many of these casualties are preventable.

Follow these safety rules during a flood:

- Monitor the NOAA Weather Radio All Hazards, or your favorite news source for vital weather related information.
- If flooding occurs, get to higher ground. Get out of areas subject to flooding.
- Avoid areas already flooded, especially if the water is flowing fast. Do not attempt to cross flowing streams. Turn Around Don't Drown™
- Road beds may be washed out under flood waters. NEVER drive through flooded roadways. Turn Around Don't Drown™

In addition, when flood conditions are present, it is important to know the difference between a Flood Watch and a Flood Warning. Do you know the distinction in warnings issued by the National Weather Service?

Flash Flood Warning: Take Action! A Flash Flood Warning is issued when a flash flood is imminent or occurring. If you are in a flood prone area move immediately to high ground. A flash flood is a sudden violent flood that can take from minutes to hours to develop. It is even possible to experience a flash flood in areas not immediately receiving rain.

Flood Warning: Take Action! A Flood Warning is issued when the hazardous weather event is imminent or already happening. A Flood Warning is issued when flooding is imminent or occurring.

Flood Watch: Be Prepared: A Flood Watch is issued when conditions are favorable for a specific hazardous weather event to occur. A Flood Watch is issued when conditions are favorable for flooding. It does not mean flooding will occur, but it is possible.

Flood Advisory: Be Aware: A Flood Advisory is issued when a specific weather event that is forecast to occur may become a nuisance. A Flood Advisory is issued when flooding is not expected to be bad enough to issue a warning. However, it may cause significant inconvenience, and if caution is not exercised, it could lead to situations that may threaten life and/or property.

Information courtesy of the NOAA, National Weather Service Office of Climate, Water, and Weather Services.

Visit www.floodsafety.noaa.gov for more information.

**Ready**

Code Violations?

With the heightened concern about school safety, we would like to remind schools to be cautious when considering security products marketed for classroom safety, as these products may be in violation of the NYS Building Code and NYSED.

Section 1010.1.9 of the NYS Fire Code states, "Egress doors shall be readily openable from the egress side without the use of key or special knowledge or effort". Many of these devices would hinder egress in an emergency situation.

If you have questions, please contact your BOCES Safety and Risk Management Office for guidance.



SAVE THE DATE

AHERA LEA Designee Training

Wednesday, May 2, 2018

8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Board Room

Cayuga-Onondaga BOCES
Regional Education Center
1879 W. Genesee St. Road
Auburn, New York

REMINDER!



Pesticide Notification May Be Required

School Districts that have applied pesticides [other than exempt applications described in Education Law §409-h(2)(e)] since the winter recess have an obligation to provide written notification to all staff and persons in parental relation within two days at the end of spring recess. The notification must include the date, location, and product used for each emergency application made since the last notification. The notification must also include a statement that schools are required to maintain a list of parents and staff members who wish to receive 48 hour prior written notification of pesticide applications, instructions on how to register to be included on the notification list, and the name and phone number of the school's pesticide representative. The SED sample form for notification follows this article.

PLEASE NOTE: IF NO APPLICATIONS (OTHER THAN PRODUCTS LISTED AS EXEMPT FROM PRE-NOTIFICATION) HAVE BEEN MADE DURING THE ENTIRE SCHOOL YEAR OR SINCE THE LAST NOTIFICATION, THE SPRING RECESS NOTIFICATION IS NOT REQUIRED.

Please contact your BOCES Safety and Risk Management Office with any questions related to Pesticide Notification.

Sample Spring Recess notification to persons in parental relation and staff pursuant to Section 409-h of the State Education Law

April 2018

Dear Parent, Guardian, and School Staff:

New York State Education Law Section 409-h, effective July 1, 2001, requires all public and nonpublic elementary and secondary schools to provide written notification to all persons in parental relation, faculty, and staff regarding the potential use of pesticides periodically throughout the school year.

The following pesticide applications took place in the _____ School from January 2, 2018 to April 20, 2018:

Date of Application	Location of Application	Product Used
1)		
2)		
3)		

As a reminder, the _____ School District is required to maintain a list of persons in parental relation, faculty, and staff who wish to receive 48-hour prior written notification of certain pesticide applications. The following pesticide applications are not subject to prior notification requirements:

- * a school remains unoccupied for a continuous 72 hours following an application;
- * anti-microbial products;
- * nonvolatile rodenticides in tamper resistant bait stations in areas inaccessible to children;
- * nonvolatile insecticidal baits in tamper resistant bait stations in areas inaccessible to children;
- * silica gels and other nonvolatile ready-to-use pastes, foams, or gels in areas inaccessible to children;
- * boric acid and disodium octaborate tetrahydrate;
- * the application of EPA designated biopesticides;
- * the application of EPA designated exempt materials under 40 CFR 152.25;
- * the use of aerosol products with a directed spray in containers of 18 fluid ounces or less when used to protect individuals from an imminent threat from stinging and biting insects including venomous spiders, bees, wasps, and hornets.

In the event of an emergency application necessary to protect against an imminent threat to human health, a good faith effort will be made to supply written notification to those on the 48-hour prior notification list.

If you have not yet registered to receive 48-hour prior notification of pesticide applications that are scheduled to occur in your school, please complete the form below and return it to (insert name) the _____ School District pesticide representative at: (insert address, telephone, e-mail address, and fax).

_____ **School District Request for Pesticide Application Notification** (please print)

_____ School Building

Name:

Address:

Day Phone:

Evening Phone:

E-Mail Address:

Please feel free to contact (insert name) the _____ School District pesticide representative at: (insert address, telephone, e-mail address, and fax) for further information on these requirements, including information on the products that have been applied in this school.

Carrier Recalls to Repair Commercial Rooftop HVAC Units Due to Fire Hazard



The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, in cooperation with the firm named, has announced a voluntary recall of the following product. Consumers should stop using this product unless otherwise instructed. It is illegal to resell or attempt to resell a recalled consumer product.

Name of product:
Carrier WeatherExpert commercial packaged rooftop HVAC units with humidifier option

Recall Date:
March 19, 2018

Hazard:
The HVAC's humidifier fan can fail to shut off when a connected smoke detector is tripped, posing a fire hazard.

Incidents/Injuries:
Carrier has received one report of a fan not shutting off during installation testing. No injuries have been reported.

Description:
This recall involves Carrier WeatherExpert 6-23 ton, 48/50 series, light commercial rooftop HVAC units intended

for use in commercial and institutional buildings and that have a factory installed dehumidification feature. The model numbers are 48/50LC07-26 with an A in the 6th digit and a 0 (zero) in the 14th digit of the model number (e.g., 48LCTA24F2M5-0S1B3). Note that dashes should be counted as digits in the model number. The serial numbers are 1214P to 3317P. The model and serial number can be found on the unit rating plate located on the back of the unit.

Sold at:
Carrier distributors nationwide from March 2014 to September 2017 for between \$25,000 and \$93,000.

Manufacturer(s):
Carrier México, S.A. de C.V.

Manufactured in:
Mexico

Units: About 530

Remedy:
Purchasers should immediately contact their Carrier dealer for a free repair, which consists of free replacement and installation of the electronic control board. The firm is contacting all known purchasers.

Consumer Contact:
Carrier toll-free at 844-864-8748 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or online at www.carrier.com and click on "Product Safety Recall" to locate a local Carrier dealer for more information.



NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

The Cayuga-Onondaga BOCES does not discriminate on the basis of an individual's actual or perceived race, color, religion, creed, ethnicity, national origin, citizenship status, age, marital status, partnership status, disability, predisposing genetic characteristics, sexual orientation, gender/sex, military status, veteran status, domestic violence victim status or political affiliation, and additionally does not discriminate against students on the basis of weight, gender identity, gender expression, and religious practices or any other basis prohibited by New York state and/or federal non-discrimination laws in employment or its programs and activities. The BOCES provides equal access to community and youth organizations.

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April Health Observances



April 23 - 27
Every Kid Healthy™ Week
Action for Healthy Kids®
600 West Van Buren Street, Suite 720
Chicago, IL 60607
800-416-5136
www.everykidhealthyweek.org

April 1 - 30
National Distracted Driving Awareness Month
National Safety Council
1121 Spring Lake Drive
Itasca, IL 60143
(800) 621-7619
www.nsc.org

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