

## **Green Cleaning Policy**

### **Andover Elementary School**

#### **In accordance with Connecticut Public Act 09-81**

At **Andover Elementary School**, we are committed to providing a safe and healthy environment for our students, staff, and community. In compliance with **Connecticut Public Act 09-81**, we have adopted a **Green Cleaning Program** to minimize exposure to potentially harmful cleaning chemicals and to promote environmental sustainability.

#### **What is CT PA-09-81?**

Connecticut Public Act 09-81 requires all public schools to implement a green cleaning program using environmentally preferable cleaning products in schools. These products must meet specific guidelines established by the **Connecticut Department of Administrative Services**, such as third-party certifications (e.g., Green Seal, ECOLOGO, or EPA Safer Choice).

#### **Our Green Cleaning Program Includes:**

- The use of environmentally preferable cleaning products for all routine cleaning of school facilities.
- Training for custodial staff on the proper use, storage, and disposal of green cleaning products.
- Periodic review and updates to our cleaning practices and products to ensure continued compliance with state guidelines.
- Safe and effective maintenance of a clean school environment without compromising indoor air quality or student health.

#### **What You Should Know:**

- **Parents, guardians, and staff** may not bring cleaning products into the school for general use. Only products approved by the school's green cleaning program may be used.
- Our school maintains a list of all cleaning products used, including their Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS), which is available for review by request in the school office.

#### **Want More Information?**

For a copy of our green cleaning product list, policy, or more details about CT PA-09-81, please contact:

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You can also learn more about CT PA-09-81 by visiting the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) website: <https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP>.

Below is a chart of commonly used Betco (or Betco-compatible) environmentally preferable products, their applications, locations, and suggested schedule. Please be advised that this is a sample; the *official* product list and schedule is maintained in the school facilities operations area.

| <b>Product / Type</b>                                | <b>Application / Purpose</b>                             | <b>Area(s) of Use</b>                                         | <b>Suggested Schedule*</b>                                |
|------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Betco pH7 Neutral Floor Cleaner</b>               | Daily floor cleaning, removing dirt/grime                | Classrooms, hallways, multipurpose rooms, corridors           | <b>Daily</b> (or as needed)                               |
| <b>Betco Clear Image Glass &amp; Surface Cleaner</b> | Glass / mirror / hard surface wiping                     | Windows, mirrors, glass doors, whiteboards, glass partitions  | <b>Daily</b>                                              |
| <b>Betco Spectaculoso All-Purpose Cleaner</b>        | General purpose cleaning & deodorizing                   | Desks, countertops, lockers, walls, plastic/laminate surfaces | <b>Daily or as needed</b>                                 |
| <b>Betco Green Earth Peroxide Cleaner</b>            | All-purpose / peroxide-based cleaner                     | Bathrooms, showers, tile, general hard surfaces               | <b>Daily</b> (or in rotation)                             |
| <b>Betco pH7Q Dual Neutral Disinfectant Cleaner</b>  | Disinfecting + cleaning (where antimicrobial is allowed) | Restrooms, nurse's office, high-touch surfaces                | <b>Daily or as needed</b> (when disinfecting is required) |
| <b>Betco AF79 Acid-Free Restroom Cleaner</b>         | Restroom cleaning / disinfecting                         | Toilets, urinals, bathroom partitions, tile walls             | <b>Daily</b>                                              |
| <b>Betco Speedex Degreaser / Heavy Duty Cleaner</b>  | Grease / heavy soil removal                              | Kitchen, custodial rooms, food preparation areas              | <b>Weekly</b> or more often as needed                     |
| <b>Betco FiberPro Spot / Stain Remover</b>           | Spot cleaning on carpets, upholstery                     | Classroom carpets, library carpet, fabric seating             | <b>As needed</b> (spot)                                   |

\* “Schedule” means when the product is used in regular cleaning routines; additional uses (e.g. spills, special events) may override the schedule.