

HEALTHY AND SAFE SCHOOLS PLAN

for Molalla River School District

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Healthy and Safe Facilities are a Top Priority

Dear Community,

This report is an important communication tool to demonstrate the commitment the district has in providing a healthy and safe learning environment. As you view this report plans around monitoring and managing lead and radon and other organic elements are presented.

This can all seem to be a bit technical; yet, I want to assure you that these processes are informed by an intention to care for the children of our community. We are always responsive and address harmful environmental issues that might occur in any of our schools.

Transparency requires acknowledging when corrective action needs to take place and following up with details about these actions. The district will post test results and communicate with parents these findings. This openness is rooted in our responsibility to ensure that the children of this community are learning in buildings that exceed the standards for healthy and safe environments.

I am personally committed to the well-being of each child and welcome conversations about your concerns.

Thank you for allowing us to provide a safe and healthy learning environment for the students of this community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tony Mann". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Tony Mann

Superintendent

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HEALTHY AND SAFE SCHOOLS PLAN

I. Introduction

Each school district, education service district, and public charter school must develop a Healthy and Safe Schools Plan for all buildings owned or leased by the school district or public charter school where students and staff are present on a regular basis.

The Department of Education, with input from the Oregon Health Authority, provided a model plan to facilitate the creation of Healthy and Safe Schools Plans by school districts, ESDs, and charter schools. Beneath each of the seven required elements in the model plan, information was included in italics to help schools understand plan requirements and where schools can locate resources for that particular plan component. Molalla River School District has chosen to retain the model's italicized content to ensure compliance with each element for current and future school boards as well as to provide the community with an understanding of the purpose of the plan and the actions that the Molalla River School District Board of Directors has taken and plans to take to ensure a healthy and safe school environment.

II. Plan Elements

1. Responsible Person

OAR 581-022-2223(5)(a) states that the Healthy and Safe Schools Plan must include the position within the school district's or public charter school's administration responsible for maintaining and implementing the Healthy and Safe Schools Plan.

The person responsible for maintaining and implementing the Healthy and Safe Schools Plan is:

Name:	Mr. Tony Tiano
Position:	Facilities Supervisor
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2. List of Buildings

OAR 581-022-2223(5)(b) states that the Healthy and Safe Schools Plan must include a list of all facilities that are included in the Healthy and Safe Schools Plan.

The Molalla River School District's Healthy and Safe Schools Plan covers the following buildings:

Building Name	Building Address
Molalla High School	357 E. Francis St. Molalla, OR 97038
Molalla River Middle School	418 Leroy St. Molalla, OR 97038
Molalla Elementary School	910 Toliver Rd. Molalla, OR 97038
Clarkes Elementary School	19100 S. Windy City Rd. Mulino, OR 97042
Mulino Elementary School	26660 S. Hwy 213 Mulino, OR 97042
Rural Dell Elementary	10500 S. Hwy 211 Molalla, OR 97038
Natural Resources Center	14994 S. Vaughn Rd. Molalla, OR 97038

Molalla River Academy (MRA) is a charter school in the Molalla River School District. The District owns and leases the facility to Molalla River Academy, but Molalla River Academy is responsible for submitting their own Healthy and Safe Schools plan to ODE. *MRA's plan is available here: <http://www.molallariveracademy.com/>*

Renaissance Public Academy (RPA) is another charter school in the Molalla River School District. The District does not own or lease the facility to Renaissance Public Academy, and Renaissance Public Academy is responsible for submitting their own Healthy and Safe Schools plan to ODE. *RPA's plan is available here: <http://www.renaissancepublicacademy.org/>*

3. Radon Testing and Reporting Plan

OAR 581-022-2223(5)(c) states that the Healthy and Safe Schools Plan must include a plan to test for elevated levels of radon as required under ORS 332.167. Note: radon measurement plans from school districts were due to OHA on September 1, 2016.

Radon measurement resources for schools:

- Oregon Health Authority's radon measurement protocol, tools, and plan submission information are located here: <http://public.health.oregon.gov/HealthyEnvironments/HealthyNeighborhoods/RadonGas/Pages/Testing-in-Schools-.aspx>
- Oregon School Boards Association (OSBA) has a generic plan (based on OHA's protocol) that may be used to satisfy the requirement if printed out on district letterhead and signed by district staff. It is located here: http://www.osba.org/News%20Center/Announcements/2016-07-18_RadonTestingPlan.aspx

The district has developed a radon plan as required by ORS 332.167. Community members can access a copy of the radon plan here:

http://www.molallariv.k12.or.us/departments/facilities_management/molalla_river_school_district_radon_testing_plan

Test results will be made public and posted to the Molalla River School District website here: <http://www.molallariv.k12.or.us/>

4. Lead in Drinking Water

OAR 581-022-2223(5)(d) states that the Healthy and Safe Schools Plan must include a plan to test for and reduce exposure to lead in water used for drinking or food preparation. If the district, education service district, or public charter school does conduct lead testing of drinking water, an Oregon Health Authority accredited lab must be used for all testing.

The Oregon Department of Education and the Oregon Health Authority recommend that all school districts and childcare facilities test for lead in school water and take corrective action if lead levels are elevated.

In developing a plan to test for and reduce exposure to lead in water used for drinking or food preparation, the following components are recommended by the Oregon Department of Education and the Oregon Health Authority:

1. **Identify sources of lead:** *Schools and childcare facilities should test all taps used for drinking or food preparation in the building to identify any lead problems. Follow the Environmental Protection Agency's 3 T's Revised Technical Guidance to ensure that samples for lead are collected properly and from the right places. Use an OHA-accredited drinking water laboratory to analyze samples for lead.*
2. **Stop access:** *Prevent access to water taps that have more than 20 parts per billion (ppb) of lead. This should include shutting off taps, covering water fountains, and providing bottled water to students and staff members.*
3. **Communicate:** *Make results from tests for lead in water available to students, families, and the community as quickly as possible.*
4. **Mitigate and correct:** *Replace the sources of lead in building plumbing. Again, EPA 3T's Guidance should be followed.*

The EPA's 3Ts technical guidance is available here: https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2015-09/documents/toolkit_leadschools_guide_3ts_leadschools.pdf

MRSD Standard of Practice

As the water provider where schools have well water, the District is responsible for assuring regular testing of water quality. We do this at both Clarkes and Rural Dell on a schedule that matches that required by the EPA. Information related to these test results are available by contacting the Responsible Person listed above

Additionally, at Rural Dell Elementary a lead mitigation system was installed after the district noted higher than desired levels of lead in the water in 2012. That system is monitored weekly to assure those levels remain below the highest allowable lead level (20 parts per billion).

In the summer of 2016 testing took place at all our other schools. Our first review of data, once clarified, demonstrated appropriately clean water at all locations. The 2016 testing results are available here: [2016 Testing Results](#)

We will continue to collaborate with water quality authorities to assure our practices meet or exceed minimum standards for monitoring contaminant levels.

Test results for schools with public water supplies will be published in school newsletters, at the District Office, and on our website, assuring parents of water quality and our ongoing commitment to safety as a first priority.

5. Lead Paint

OAR 581-022-2223(5)(e) states that the Healthy and Safe Schools Plan must include a plan to reduce exposure to lead paint that includes the following compliance with the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Renovation, Repair and Painting Program Rule.

The Renovation, Repair and Painting Program Rule requires that individuals and firms conducting renovation, repair and painting projects on pre-1978 homes and "child-occupied facilities" be certified to follow lead-safe work practices. "Child-occupied facilities" is defined in OAR 333-070-0085.

For more information on the Renovation, Repair and Painting Program Rule, visit the following website: <https://public.health.oregon.gov/HealthyEnvironments/HealthyNeighborhoods/LeadPoisoning/ChildCareSchools/Pages/RulesforRenovating.aspx>

In order to comply with the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Renovation, Repair and Painting Program Rule, Molalla River School District staff is certified by the Oregon Health Authority to perform the work. Also the District is certified by the Oregon Health Authority as a Certified Renovation Firm.

6. Integrated Pest Management

OAR 581-022-2223(5)(f) states that the Healthy and Safe Schools Plan must include a plan to implement integrated pest management (IPM) practices as required under ORS 634.700 through 634.750.

The Oregon State University School IPM Program has created two model plans to assist districts. The model plans are attached. However, a school governing body may adopt any integrated pest management plan that complies with the requirements of ORS 634.700 through 634.750.

If a district chooses to use an Oregon State University model plan template, the plan must be modified by the specific school district or public charter school to fit their unique situation.

Molalla River School District has adopted an integrated pest management plan as required by ORS 634.700 through 634.750. Community members can access a copy of the IPM plan here: <http://policy.osba.org/mriver/E/EBB%20G1.PDF>

Also available is the Low Impact Pesticide list that the District follows, and that is accessible here: [Low Impact Pesticide List – February 2017](#)

7. Communication

OAR 581-022-2223(5)(g) states that the Healthy and Safe Schools Plan must include a plan to communicate results for all tests performed in accordance with the Healthy and Safe Schools Plan that includes the following:

- *The school district or public charter school must make all test results available to the public within five business days of receiving the results;*
- *The school district or public charter school must make the results available to the public by posting the results on the school district or public charter school website, sending notice of the results over the email system, and making the results available in hardcopy at the main administration office; and*
- *The school district or public charter school must provide detailed information explaining the test results.*

Molalla River School District will make all test results and detailed information explaining the test results available to the public within five business days of receiving the results. Results will be made available by posting the results on the district website, sending notice of the results over the email system, and making the results available in hardcopy at the main administration office.