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CTEC's Community Education & Outreach Committee



Chatham Township's Pesticide-Free Program

The Municipality of Chatham Township Participates: Chatham Township is proudly displaying "Pesticide Free Zone" ladybug signs at each of its six playgrounds. The signs are intended to assure parents that their children are safe from harmful chemicals on our playgrounds. The pesticide free zones are part of the Chatham Township Environmental Commission's pesticide awareness campaign. While the Township has never used pesticides near playgrounds, it is common practice for landscapers to spray weed killer in private mulched beds, even under swing sets. Some wood chips come pretreated with herbicides and insecticides.

JOIN US! Show your neighbors that pesticide-free lawns are important for the health of children, families, pets, your drinking water, the environment and the community. Buy an 8" Pesticide-Free Zone lawn sign for \$13 and display in your yard: Email ctec@chathamtownship.org

Encourage your schools, garden club, sports teams' field owners, neighborhoods and friends, houses of worship, workplace, etc. to join! Ask them to join the program and post an 8" Pesticide-Free Zone sign on their grounds. Email ctec@chathamtownship.org

For more information about pesticide safety, see our CTEC" Helpful Links" webpage at <http://www.chathamtownship.org/CTEC/links.html> and scroll down to "LAND."