



Application for Assistance to Remove Chemical Waste from Schools

The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) is assisting schools with the removal of hazardous chemical wastes. Prioritization for financial assistance will be given to schools committed to less toxic chemicals/green chemistry practices, schools with systems in place to eliminate the accumulation of chemicals in the future, and schools demonstrating a commitment to regulatory compliance. Schools seeking funding assistance must complete this application, including the required supporting documentation.

Schools seeking funding assistance under this initiative must submit the following:

- This application (see instructions below)
- Your school's chemical hygiene plan
- Your school's procurement procedures, including those for the procurement of laboratory chemicals
- A list of the chemicals, and the quantities of each, to be disposed. This includes but is not limited to art, science, vocational programs, and custodial/maintenance areas. Evaluate your chemical inventory to include the following types of chemical waste:
 - o Chemicals past their shelf life or expired chemicals
 - o Chemicals no longer in use or that you do not plan to use in the near future
 - o Prohibited chemicals
 - o Chemicals that are not stable or in damaged containers
 - o Restricted chemicals in quantities that exceed what can be used in a school year

This application (and supporting documents) must be submitted to the local public health Agency (LPHA) in your county unless otherwise indicated. Your application and supporting documentation will be reviewed by the LPHA prior to submittal to CDPHE.

Once submitted to CDPHE, your application will be reviewed in the order that it was received. You will be notified of your eligibility for financial assistance under this program by CDPHE.

If your application is approved, your school will be provided with a list of approved chemical waste vendors that can be used along with further instructions. The approved chemical waste vendors will work directly with CDPHE to receive payment for completed services.



STEP 1: Complete this application

School Name:

District:

School Address:

County:

Applicant Name:

Phone Number:

Email Address:

Please describe the current procurement procedures within the school/district to obtain new chemicals:

What steps have you already taken to remove chemical waste from the School? Describe any barriers/hardships that have been encountered.

Please describe any steps and/or intentions to use less toxic chemicals (green chemistry) in your school/district:

Please describe how chemical waste is currently being stored:



How will the school prevent accumulation of excessive chemical waste moving forward? *Example: Staff will undergo annual training to purchase safer/less hazardous chemicals, a chemical procurement procedure with an approval process will be established, etc.*

Please check the box to indicate the following documentation has been included in the application:

- List of chemicals to be disposed, including the quantity
- Chemical Hygiene Plan
- Chemical procurement procedures

By signing this document, I agree that the information provided is accurate to the best of my knowledge. If approved, I understand that I will work directly with the list of approved vendors to have chemical waste removed from the school. I agree to submit all necessary documentation to the chemical waste vendor and CDPHE.

Signature of applicant:

Date:

Signature of person in charge
(principal/superintendent):

Date:

Step 2: Submit to LPHA or submit directly to CDPHE for the following counties: Clear Creek, Gilpin, Dolores, Moffat, Ouray, Park, Pitkin, Rio Blanco, or San Juan.

[Link to LPHA contact information.](#)



LPHA USE ONLY

LPHA Name:

LPHA Contact:

Chemical hygiene plan meets expectations
Procurement procedures promote the minimization of an
accumulation of chemicals

LPHA Comments (include feedback on school/district's commitment to
compliance with chemical management best practices):

LPHA Recommendation:

Approve

Deny

Signature:

Date:

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Approve

Deny

Additional Comments:

Signature:

Date:

