

It is the policy of the Newport Public Schools to minimize mercury exposure by eliminating the purchase of mercury containing thermostats and other equipment; purchasing and installing only low-mercury lamps; and labeling other products containing significant levels of mercury.

1. Only low-mercury content lamps (linear fluorescent lamps that contain 3.5 to 4 milligrams of mercury, according to the EPA Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)) shall be purchased.
2. No mercury containing thermostats or other equipment shall be purchased.

***History:***

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