



SIMSBBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Director of Operations

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TO: Employees of Simsbury Public Schools
Students or Parent/Guardian

FROM: Andrew O'Brien, Director of Operations

RE: Integrated Pest Management

The Simsbury Board of Education has adopted an integrated pest management (IPM) program per state law for pest control within the building(s) and on the grounds of the Simsbury Public Schools. IPM utilizes all available pest control methods such as sanitation, structural maintenance, exclusion, maintaining proper soil pH, fertility and moisture, trapping and/or biological controls along with the judicious use of pesticides to maintain pest populations at or below an acceptable level. Pesticides may be applied if a pest population has been identified through periodic monitoring and alternative methods of control have not been effective. At all times, the least toxic pesticide will be used.

Pesticide applications will not be performed within the schools or on the grounds during regular school hours or during planned school activities unless an emergency application is necessary to eliminate an immediate threat to human health. When this occurs, all personnel will be removed from the area and not allowed to return until it is safe to do so.

Parents, guardians and staff who would like to be notified of pesticide applications may make such request by submitting a written request to Andrew O'Brien, Director of Operations, Simsbury Public Schools, 933 Hopmeadow Street, Simsbury, CT 06070.

Registrants will be notified of pesticide applications on or before the date of application in writing. Notification will include (1) the name of the active ingredient of the pesticide being applied, (2) the location of the application on school property, (3) the date of the application, and (4) the name of the school administrator or a designee who may be contacted for further information.

In addition, registrants will be notified in writing of any emergency pesticide applications that are made to eliminate an immediate threat to human health.

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