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Pleasant Hill School District Staff, Students and Families:

This letter is to inform you of the Integrated Pest Management (IPM) law enacted on July 1, 2012 that Oregon Schools must abide by (ORS 634.700-634.750). We are required to notify staff, students, and parents anytime there is a scheduled application of a pesticide at any of our school campuses. In the notification you will find expected application date, name of the pesticide being applied, the EPA registration number of the pesticide, and other information. Our IPM plan is located on the [Pleasant Hill School District](#) website. The individual notifications of any planned pesticide application will be posted twenty-four hours prior to the application on the District's website. These notifications can be found under "Updates", then by selecting "News". Past notifications can be found on the "Healthy & Safe Schools" page, located under "Resources".

For each application of a pesticide we are required to post a notification in the vicinity of the application on that school campus. Please be assured that we are doing everything we can to keep these applications to a minimum and only using the safest of products to achieve the expected results. Contact information will be available on the application posting signs if you ever have questions about what is going on or what products are being used.

An OSU faculty member with expertise in pesticide toxicology has reviewed all of the pesticides that we use, and they meet the requirements of a "low-impact pesticide" as defined by ORS 634.705 (5). These pesticides never have a label category that is higher than "Caution", and contain no known carcinogens. You can find a copy of the approved list of pesticides on the District's website, on the "Healthy & Safe Schools" page, or at the [OSU School IPM Program](#) webpage. If you have any questions or concerns about these products, I encourage you to contact the [National Pesticide Information Center](#).

I also encourage you to review the entire [OSU School IPM Program](#), to see what we are doing and how we go about improving the condition of our schools to create a healthier environment for your children. It is all about educating, communicating, and eliminating pests through cleaning and organizing our environment. We are sealing up our buildings, eliminating clutter, keeping food in plastic storage containers, eliminating leaks and drips in our plumbing, properly pruning our landscaping, and being more thorough in our cleaning efforts. Through these efforts we are eliminating the three things that pests need to survive: Food, Water, and Shelter. We are also providing a healthier learning environment for your children, and saving the school district precious dollars that would otherwise be spent on pesticides.

If you have questions you may contact me at (541) 736-0770.

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