



**NORTH ALLEGHENY
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

SECTION:	PROPERTY
TITLE:	INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT
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Section 1. Purpose

The District shall utilize Integrated Pest Management procedures to manage structural and landscape pests and the chemicals used for their control in order to alleviate pest problems with the least possible hazard to people, property, and the environment.

Section 2. Definitions

- a. Integrated Pest Management (IPM) - the coordinated use of pest and environmental information to design and implement pest control methods that are economically, environmentally, and socially sound. IPM promotes prevention over remediation and advocates integration of at least two (2) or more strategies to achieve long-term solutions.
- b. Pest - an insect, rodent, nematode, fungus, weed, or other form of terrestrial or aquatic plant or animal life or virus, bacteria, or other microorganism, except viruses, bacteria, or other microorganisms on or in living man or other living animals, declared to be a pest.
- c. Integrated Pest Management Plan - a plan that establishes a sustainable approach to managing pests by combining biological, cultural, physical, and chemical tools in a way that minimizes economic, health, and environmental risks.

The Board establishes that the District shall use pesticides only after consideration of the full range of alternatives, based on analysis of environmental effects, safety, effectiveness, and costs.

Section 3. Authority

- a. The Board shall adopt an Integrated Pest Management Plan for District buildings and grounds that complies with policies and regulations promulgated by the Department of Agriculture.

SC 772.1

3 P.S.
Sec. 111.21 et seq.
Title 7
SC 772.1
Sec. 128.1 et seq.

<p>SC 772.1</p>	<p>b. The Board shall designate an employee to serve as IPM Coordinator for the District.</p> <p>Section 4. <u>Delegation of Authority</u></p> <p>a. The IPM Coordinator shall be responsible to annually notify parent(s)/ guardian(s) of the procedures for requesting notification of planned and emergency applications of pesticides in school buildings and on school grounds.</p>
<p>SC 772.2</p>	<p>b. The IPM Coordinator shall maintain detailed records of all chemical pest control treatments for at least three (3) years. Information regarding pest management activities shall be available to the public at the District's administrative office.</p> <p>Appropriate personnel involved in making decisions relative to pest management shall participate in update training.</p> <p>Section 5. <u>Guidelines</u></p> <p>a. Pest management strategies may include education, exclusion, sanitation maintenance, biological and mechanical controls, and site appropriate pesticides.</p> <p>b. An integrated pest management decision shall consist of the following five (5) steps:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify pest species. 2. Estimate pest populations and compare to established action threshold. 3. Select the appropriate management tactics based on current on-site information. 4. Assess effectiveness of pest management. 5. Keep appropriate records. <p>An Integrated Pest Management Plan shall include the education of staff, students, and the public about IPM policies and procedures.</p>
<p>SC 772.2</p>	<p>c. When pesticide applications are scheduled in school buildings and on school grounds, the District shall provide notification in accordance with law, including:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Posting a pest control sign in an appropriate area.

2. Posting the pest control information sheet to inform all individuals working in the school building.
3. Providing required notice to all parent(s)/guardian(s) of students or to a list of parent(s)/guardian(s) who have requested notification of individual applications of pesticides.
4. Where pests pose an immediate threat to the health and safety of students or employees, the District may authorize an emergency pesticide application and shall notify by telephone or electronic means any parent(s)/guardian(s) who has requested such notification.

References:

School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 772.1, 772.2

State Department of Agriculture Regulations – 7 PA Code Sec. 128.1 et seq.

Pennsylvania Pesticide Control Act – 3 P.S. Sec. 111.21 et seq.

Pesticide Control – 7 U.S.C. Sec. 136 et seq.

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