



This document outlines the process Irvine Unified School District (IUSD) has followed in creating their Progressive Pest Management (PPM) program, along with an overview of key program elements.

1. Form a Pest Management Committee (PMC):
 - *Include the district PPM coordinator, key maintenance staff, parents, leaders from environmental health and pest control professions, and other stakeholders from the local community as practicable (e.g., city/county landscaping staff). Meet quarterly (at minimum).*
2. Create a Progressive Pest Management program (PPM):
 - *Develop with the PMC. Tailor to fit District needs and pest pressure thresholds. Emphasize prevention and non-chemical control methods over the use of pesticides, and restrict use to products approved in conjunction with the PMC (see chart below).*
3. Establish a timeline for implementation:
 - *Prioritize pest control needs, start trying different strategies, refine over time.*
4. Train staff and shift mindset to progressive pest management principles:
 - *Create and train staff on procedures specific to types of pests. Incorporate monitoring and threshold levels to reach before using successive control methods.*
5. Make the Progressive Pest Management program public:
 - *Share information not only about pesticide applications as required by regulations, but also share and advertise progressive or “green” actions that are being undertaken.*

IUSD Pesticide Ranking Categories		
Ranking Category	Methods/Criteria	Use Restrictions
<p style="text-align: center;">Preferred Methods</p>	<p>Green:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Non-chemical controls 2. CA HSA exempt pesticides 3. Very low hazard pesticides <p><i>Examples: housekeeping, sealing buildings, deterrents, pest removal, organic products.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-chemical practices to prevent or minimize development of conditions requiring intervention. • Use of approved products following specified procedures at discretion of trained staff.
<p style="text-align: center;">Emergency Exception</p>	<p>Red:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Low hazard pesticides 5. Moderate hazard pesticides 6. High hazard pesticides <p><i>Note: Reference San Francisco Environment criteria & Pesticide Research Institute database. Organic products preferred.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use only when necessary to protect public health and undue economic impact. • Use only after obtaining supervisor approval. • Notify PMC when high hazard products used. • Emergency exemption to address health threats that exceed determined thresholds.
<p style="text-align: center;">Banned</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Determined by the PMC. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prohibited from use.

IUSD’s PPM program and related resources can be found at: www.iusd.org/tbd

List of Products Compatible With A PPM: [Link to IUSD’s master list of products compatible with the PPM](#)