

BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE HEALTHY SCHOOLS ACT (AB2260) IUSD PROCEDURES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Healthy Schools Act **AB 2260** was signed into law in September 2000 and requires that all schools provide parents and employees with an annual written notification of expected pesticide and/ or herbicide use on their site. Parents and employees who return the notification request form will be notified of any pesticide and / or herbicide application at their site at least 72 hours prior to the application. The only exemption is an event where it is necessary under an emergency situation such as Bees or Wasps. Notifications sent at least 72 hours prior are not required under the law for emergency applications. Ants, roaches and weeds do not qualify as emergencies as alternative non-pesticide methods are available.

Notifications sent at least 72 hours prior to any application disclose the product to be used and the active ingredient(s) of the product, the date when the product will be applied and the product hazard warning.

Actual dates of pesticide and/ or herbicide applications are determined by either the custodial or grounds departments and are coordinated between the department and the site manager. Prior to the application of a pesticide or herbicide product the site must be posted with warning signs in conspicuous locations around the school site. Postings will be placed 24 hours prior to application and remain for 72 hours after the application and will indicate the product to be used.

When the application project is completed, all warning postings are removed from the site. All documentation recording the application is collected and filed at the school site and Maintenance and Operations Safety and Security. All files must be made available upon request to parents, employees and/ or government agencies. All records must be retained by the District for three years and remain at the school site and Maintenance and Operations.

Consistent with federal and State of California requirement, IUSD's Maintenance & Operations Department follows a Progressive Pest Management (PPM) program for landscaping and building maintenance on IUSD maintained property and campuses. IUSD's maintenance program only uses organic products on all school playing fields to prevent exposure to toxins and provide safer school playing spaces.

IUSD Pesticide Ranking Categories			
	Ranking Category	Methods/Criteria	Use Restrictions
\longleftarrow Hazard level & use limitations	 ← Use frequency & quantity → Preferred Methods 	Green: 1. Non-chemical controls 2. CA HSA exempt pesticides 3. Very low hazard pesticides Examples: housekeeping, coolings buildings doterrents	 Non-chemical practices to prevent or minimize development of conditions requiring intervention. Use of approved products following specified
	Emergency Exception	sealing buildings, deterrents, pest removal, organic products. Red: 4. Low hazard pesticides 5. Moderate hazard pesticides 6. High hazard pesticides	 procedures at discretion of trained staff. Use only when necessary to protect public health and undue economic impact. Use only after obtaining supervisor approval.
		Note: Reference San Francisco Environment criteria & Pesticide Research Institute database. Organic products preferred.	 Notify PMC when high hazard products used. Emergency exemption to address health threats that exceed determined thresholds.
	Banned	Determined by the PMC.	Prohibited from use.