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## District Policy

### 7422- SCHOOL INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT PLAN (M)

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The New Jersey School Integrated **Pest** Management Act of 2002 requires school districts to implement a school integrated **pest** management policy that includes an Integrated **Pest** Management Plan. In accordance with the requirements of the Act, the Board shall ensure implementation of Integrated **Pest** Management (IPM) procedures to control **pests** and minimize exposure of children, faculty, and staff to **pesticides**. These procedures shall be applicable to all school property in the Demarest School District.

#### IPM Coordinator (IPMC)

The Principal and Buildings and Grounds Supervisor shall be designated as the district's Integrated **Pest** Management Coordinators (IPMC) and are responsible for the implementation of the school integrated **pest** management policy.

#### Integrated **Pest** Management Procedures in Schools

Implementation of Integrated **Pest** Management (IPM) procedures will determine when to control **pests** and whether to use mechanical, physical, cultural, biological, or chemical methods. Applying IPM principles prevents unacceptable levels of **pest** damage by the most economical means and with the least possible hazard to people, property, and the environment.

The Integrated **Pest** Management Coordinator (IPMC) shall consider the full range of management options, including no action at all. Non-**pesticide pest** management methods are to be used whenever possible. The choice of using a **pesticide** shall be based on a review of all other available options and a determination that these options are not effective or not reasonable. When it is determined that a **pesticide** must be used, low impact **pesticides** and methods are preferred and shall be considered for use first.

#### Development of IPM plans

The Superintendent, in collaboration with the school Building Principal(s) and the IPMC, shall be responsible for the development of the IPM Plan for the school district. The school district's Integrated **Pest** Management (IPM) Plan is a blueprint of how the school district will manage **pests** through IPM methods. The school district's IPM Plan will state the school district's goals regarding the management of **pests** and the use of **pesticides** for all school

district property. The Plan will reflect the school district's site-specific needs and a description of how each component of the school district's Integrated **Pest** Management Policy and Regulation will be implemented for all school property.

#### Education/Training

The school community will be educated about potential **pest** problems and IPM methods used to achieve the **pest** management objectives.

The IPMC, other school staff, and **pesticide** applicators involved with implementation of the district's IPM policy will be trained in appropriate components of IPM as it pertains to the school environment.

Students and parents/legal guardians will be provided information on this policy and instructed on how they can contribute to the success of the IPM program.

#### Recordkeeping

Records of **pesticide** use shall be maintained on site to meet the requirements of the State regulatory agency and the Board.

Records shall also include, but are not limited to, **pest** surveillance data sheets and other non-**pesticide pest** management methods and practices utilized.

#### Notification/Posting

The Building Principal of each school, working with the IPMC, is responsible for timely notification to students, parents or legal guardians and the school staff of **pesticide** treatments pursuant to the School Integrated **Pest** Management Act.

#### Re-entry

Re-entry to a **pesticide** treated area shall conform to the requirements of the School Integrated **Pest** Management Act.

#### **Pesticide** Applicators

The IPMC shall ensure that applicators follow State regulations, including licensing requirements and label precautions, and must comply with all components of the School Integrated **Pest** Management Policy.

#### Evaluation

The Superintendent will report annually to the Board on the effectiveness of the IPM Plan and make recommendations for improvement as needed.

The school district's Integrated **Pest** Management Plan, Policy and Regulation shall be implemented not later than June 12, 2004. The Board directs the Superintendent to develop Regulations/Procedures for the implementation of School Integrated **Pest** Management Plan.

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