

**Regulation 3514.2: Integrated Pest Management**

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The Superintendent or designee shall develop and implement an Integrated Pest Management Program that incorporates effective, least toxic, pest management practices.

Integrated Pest Management is a strategy that focuses on long-term prevention or suppression of pest problems through a combination of techniques such as: monitoring for pest presence and establishing treatment threshold levels, using nonchemical practices to make the habitat less conducive to pest development, improving sanitation, and employing mechanical and physical controls. (Food and Agricultural Code 13181)

**Notification**

The Superintendent or designee shall annually notify staff and parents/guardians of students enrolled at a school site, in writing, regarding pesticide products expected to be applied at the school facility in the upcoming year. (Education Code 17612)

**Posting of Warning Signs**

The Superintendent or designee shall post a warning sign at each area of the school site where pesticides will be applied, at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the application and until seventy-two (72) hours after the application.

**Notification During Emergency Conditions**

Whenever the Superintendent or designee deems that the immediate use of a pesticide is necessary to protect the health and safety of students, staff, or other persons, or the school site, he/she shall make every effort to provide the required notifications prior to the application of a pesticide. In such a case, the warning sign shall be posted immediately upon application and shall remain posted until seventy-two (72) hours after the application. (Education Code 17609, 17612)

**Records**

Each school site shall maintain records of all pesticide use at the school for four (4) years, and shall make the information available to the public, upon request, in accordance with the California Public Records Act. Such records may be maintained by retaining a copy of the warning sign posted for each pesticide application with a recording of the amount of the pesticide used. (Education Code 17611)

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