

Pesticide Application/Pest Management

To: Parents and Employees of Independent School District 740

From: Tom Rich, Superintendent

Subject: Pesticide Application and/or Pest Management Process

Parents Please Note: Parents' Right-to-Know Act requires that the public or nonpublic school planning to apply pesticide is a toxicity category I, II, or III product, as classified by EPA, or a restricted use pesticide, as designated by federal law, on school property, must provide a notice to parents and employees. The notice must be provided by September 15th of each school year, and must include the following information:

- Provide an estimated schedule of the pesticide applications available for review or copying at the School District Offices where pesticides are applied.
- A statement that the long-term health effects on children from the application of a pesticide or the class of chemicals to which they belong may not be fully understood.
- Informs parents that a parent may request the school to notify him/her in the manner specified below, before any application of pesticide listed in the law.
- Parents may request that the school notify them individually of pesticide application prior to applying any pesticides. A school must give reasonable notice to all parents that have requested prior notice. A school may request reimbursement for costs associated with this individual notice.

School District 740 wishes to minimize any possible risk to human health and the environment and to reduce to a minimum the application of pesticides. Should it become necessary to apply pesticides or pest management controls the District has set the following schedule to be followed:

Lawn/ground maintenance schedule: Any application of fertilizer, weeds, and insect control that may become necessary during the school year, may only be applied during a long school break/vacation period, or over a weekend after school has dismissed for the week. No application will be allowed during the school day or week.

Pest management control schedule: Any application of pest control that may become necessary during the school year, may only be applied during a long school break/vacation period, or over a weekend after school has dismissed for the week. No application will be allowed during the school day or week.

Parents, students, and staff are advised to avoid areas or not make contact with surfaces that are still wet from application. Hand-to-face contact should be avoided at all times.

Parents and children or employees that have existing medical reaction to pesticide residue should contact, Superintendent Tom Rich at 256-5160 X1003 and provide the following written notification to protect the health and safety of our students and staff:

- Name of Student/Staff
- Grade
- Name & Phone Number of Attending Physician
- Particular reaction/concern for the individual
- Instructions for School Staff should reaction occur

For privacy issues any information about the medical status of a person should be channeled through the District Office and also the District's Nursing Staff.

Anyone requiring additional information about the application of pesticides and pest control activities are invited to contact: Superintendent Tom Rich at 256-5160 X1003.