

INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT POLICY Palestine Community  
Unit School District #3

Policy

It is the policy of Palestine C.U.S.D. #3 to implement and practice Integrated Pest Management (IPM) procedures to control pests in school buildings and minimize the exposure of students, faculty, and staff to pesticides. State law requires public schools to practice IPM.

Pests

It is the policy of this school district to control pests in the school environment. Pests can pose hazards to human health, damage property, and disrupt learning.

Pesticides

It is the policy of Palestine C.U.S.D. #3 to reduce potential exposure to pesticides in the school environment. Exposure to pesticides can pose health risk to students, staff, and others, which can be minimized by practicing IPM.

Integrated Pest Management (IPM)

The Integrated Pest Management program at this school district will include the following:

- Regular monitoring to identify pest problems
- Preference for the use of non-chemical control methods to address pest problems
- When necessary, the use of least-hazardous chemical controls after non-chemical control methods have been applied
- Preventive actions to reduce further pest problems

IPM Coordinator

Superintendent Tom Sherman will be designated as the IPM Coordinator. This person is responsible for overseeing pest control for the district. AH related materials to this program are available by the IPM Coordinator. He can be reached at:

Tom Sherman, Supt.  
Unit Office  
Palestine C.U.S.D. #3  
100 S. Main  
P.O. Box 217  
Palestine, IL 62451  
618-586-2713

Notification

If a pesticide application is deemed to be necessary by the IPM Coordinator, parents and staff that request prior notification will be notified in writing two business days prior to the pesticide application-  
Contractors

Any contractor hired by the school district to provide pest control or other services must comply with the district's IPM and notification policy.

PESTICIDE APPLICATION NOTICE  
Palestine C.U.S.D. #3

Date

Dear Parent, Guardian, or Staff Member:

The Palestine C.U.S.D. #3 practices Integrated Pest Management (IPM), an approach to pest control that reduces pest populations while minimizing pesticide applications. After trying non-chemical means to control a current pest problem, a pesticide has been deemed necessary. On \_\_\_\_\_ (date), an application of \_\_\_\_\_ (name of pesticide) will be applied at \_\_\_\_\_ (location) for the control of \_\_\_\_\_ (pest).

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Superintendent Tom Sherman at 618-586-2713.

Sincerely,

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Tom Sherman  
Superintendent

PESTICIDE APPLICATION NOTICE Palestine C.U.S.D. #3

Dear Parent, Guardian, or Staff Member:

The Palestine C.U.S.D. #3 practices Integrated Pest Management (IPM), a program that combines preventive techniques, non-chemical pest control methods, and the appropriate use of pesticides with a preference for products that are the least harmful to human health and the environment. The term "pesticide" includes insecticides, herbicides, rodenticides, and fungicides.

This school district is establishing a registry of people who wish to be notified prior to pesticide application. If you would like to be included in this registry, please complete the attached form and submit it to Superintendent Tom Sherman at:

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Palestine, IL 62451

I would like to be notified two days before the use of pesticides at the school. I understand that if there is an immediate threat to health or property that requires treatment before notification can be sent out, I will receive notification as soon as practicable.

Parent/Guardian/Staff Member's  
Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_