

## **USE OF PESTICIDES AND NOTIFICATION POLICY**

It is the policy of Intergenerational Schools to comply with pesticide application and notification procedures in accordance with OAC 901:5-11.

- 1) Pesticides are defined as:
  - a) Any substance or mixture of substances (such as, but not limited to, herbicides, insecticides, and rodenticides) intended to prevent, destroy, control, repel, or mitigate any pest (such as, but not limited to, weeds, insects, and rodents);
  - b) Any substance or mixture of substances intended to be used as a plant regulator, defoliant or desiccant; and
  - c) Any spray adjuvant, such as a wetting agent, spreading agent, deposit builder, adhesive, emulsifying agent, deflocculating agent, water modifier, or similar agent with or without toxic properties of its own intended to be used with any pesticide as an aid to the application or effect thereof, and sold in a package or container separate from that of the pesticide with which it is to be used. Pesticide Use
- 2) Pesticides applied to the exterior or interior of the building shall be applied:
  - a) more than four hours prior to the beginning of the school day
  - b) the minimum time specified by the label prior to the beginning of the school day
  - c) after the school day has concluded d) when school is not in session according to the board approved calendar
- 3) Pesticides may be applied when school is in session provided that:
  - a) Persons other than pesticide applicators and necessary school staff are not scheduled to be in the treatment area during treatment
  - b) It is applied more than four hours prior to the beginning of the school day c) It is applied within the minimum time specified by the label
  - d) The pesticide applied is one of the following, and is applied in strict accordance with label instructions:
    - i. Manufactured paste or gel baits;



- ii. Paraffin-based rodent control products placed in industry-identified tamper resistant bait stations;
- iii. Termite-baiting stations; iv. Rodenticides which are placed in wall voids or other areas that are inaccessible to humans and domestic animals;
- v. Disinfectants, sanitizers, germicides, and anti-microbial agents;
- vi. Dusts used in unoccupied areas of the structure;
- e) The following information shall be provided to the school's contact person as soon as practicable following the application:
  - i. Date and time that the pesticide was applied;
  - ii. Treatment area;
  - iii. Target pests; iv. Brand name and EPA registration number of the pesticide applied; and
- v. Time or conditions for re-entering the treatment area as specified by the label of the pesticide applied, if any is specified.

## Notification

- 4) Signs shall be posted at the entrances to the area in which the pesticide is applied meeting the following requirements:
  - a) The sign shall measure at least eight and one half inches by eleven inches; and
  - b) The sign is printed with letters at least one inch in height with the following wording: "Pesticide Treatment Area. Do Not Enter Before (the date and time where re-entry will be permitted into the treatment area)."
  - i. The use of disinfectants, sanitizers, germicides, and anti-microbial agents are exempted from any notification requirement
- 5) The Intergenerational Schools will maintain a registry of interested parties including parents or guardians of minor children and staff who are enrolled or employed at the school that wish to be notified prior to pesticide application. The method of notification may include email, letters or school reach message. If special circumstances arise that prevent prior notification from being provided as required, such as emergency application of pesticides to control organisms that pose an immediate health threat, the school shall provide notice as soon as possible. The



notice shall explain the reasons why advance notice was not provided.

## Records

- 6) The Intergenerational Schools shall designate a school employee to serve as a contact person for pesticide applications made at the school. The school shall maintain for inspection during normal school hours by parents or guardians of minor children and staff who are enrolled or employed at the school:
  - a) Records provided to the contact person as outlined in paragraph 3(e) of this policy. The records shall be maintained for a period of one year following the date of the pesticide application.
  - b) Documentation that requested notifications were made pursuant to the school p