

# **CLINTON PRAIRIE SCHOOL CORPORATION**

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## **Annual Notice Regarding Pest Control**

The school corporation is committed to providing students a safe environment. It seeks to prevent children from being exposed to pest and pesticides. While pesticides protect children from pests that may be found in a school and its surrounding grounds, under some circumstances they may pose a hazard to children. Therefore, pest control practices may involve a variety of chemical and non-chemical methods that are designed to control pests effectively while minimizing potential pesticide exposure to children. Please contact your school nurse or principal if you would like to have information regarding pest control. Also, please inform your building principal in writing, if you want to receive advance notice (at least two school days) when the pesticide applications, other than occasional use of household type aerosol applications, are to occur.

Pursuant to this commitment, the corporation will:

1. Ensure that pesticides are used only by certified pesticide applicators or individuals operating under their supervision.
2. Ensure that pesticides are not used when children are present or are likely to be exposed to a liquid pesticide residue.
3. Inform parents and staff members of the corporation's pest control policy.
4. Establish a registry of staff members and parents of students at the school building who request advance notice and ensure that school health professionals are also on the registry.
5. Provide at least two school days advance notice of pesticide use of those on the registry except in those instances where the pests pose an immediate health threat or threaten to disrupt a normal learning environment.
6. Whenever advanced notice is not provided, those on the registry will be notified as soon as possible thereafter, including an explanation of the delayed notice and the pesticide that was used.

This policy and the accompanying procedures do not apply to the exempted uses of pesticides:

1. Germicides, disinfectants, bactericides, sanitizing agents, water purifiers and swimming pool chemicals used in normal cleaning activities.
2. Personal insect repellents when self-applied.
3. Gel bait or manufactured enclosed insecticides when used where students do not have access to the insecticide.

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