

Integrated Pest Management
Notice for 2014-2015

Dear Parent and or Guardian,

This notice is being distributed to comply with the New Jersey School Integrated Pest Management Act As required by law, Pope John XXIII High School has adopted and Integrated Pest Management (IPM) policy and has implemented an IPM plan to maintain compliance with this law.

The IPM procedures currently being used focuses on eliminating areas and conditions that may harbor pest or allow breeding by pest. Through increased building maintenance and up-dated sanitation practices we have reduced and eliminated conducive conditions pest may find inviting. A routine monitoring program is in effect to detect potential pest invasion and prevent the pest from become established.

IPM techniques we have employed include: insect and rodent monitoring increased sanitation practices, sealing of pest entry points, physical pest removal and modified storage practices. In the case pesticides must be used on school property low impact materials will be our first choice. Access to treated areas will be secured against unauthorized entry for the time period specified on the material label. Except in emergency situations, notices will be posted at the application site forty-eight (48) hours prior to the application and will remain until the posted re-entry time is met. If an emergency situation arises such as an active bees nest that may create potential harm against the student body or our staff, treatment will be performed immediately and you will be notified of the treatment within twenty-four (24) hours following the treatment, providing a non-low impact material was used.

The IPM Coordinator maintains all material labels and Material Safety Data Sheets of each material that may be used on school property. The IPM coordinator is available to parents, guardians, staff members and students to provide information for, and receive comments about IPM activities and material use.

"As part of the school pest management plan, Pope John XXIII High School may use pesticides to control pests. The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) register pesticides to determine that the use of a pesticide in accordance with instructions printed on the label does not pose an unreasonable risk to human health and the environment. Nevertheless, the EPA and DEP cannot guarantee that registered pesticides do not pose any risk to human health, thus unnecessary exposure should be avoided. The EPA has issued the statement that where possible, persons who are potentially sensitive such as pregnant women, infants and children, should avoid unnecessary exposure."

Accurate Pest Control is our contracted company for pest control inside the building. Accurate Pest Control INC. 143 Landing Rd. Landing NJ 07850. (973)398-8798. The following are products have been or will be used in the future by Accurate Pest Control. (042) Insect Monitors, (017) Contract-Bromadiolone.005%, (078) Rodent Bait Stations Ext only. (032) Final Block Brodifacoum .005%. (076) Tin-Cats, (040) Glue Boards.

Cutting Edge Inc. PO Box 871 Sparta NJ 07871. Cutting Edge Inc. controls all outside weed control for Pope John HS. The following weed control fertilizer has been or will be used. Fertilizer with Dimension 0.13%. RoundUp Pro Herbicide.

The IPM Coordinator at Pope John XXIII High School is Jim Reffi, Head Custodian

If you would like more information, Please contact Mr. Bello (973) 729-6125 x. 249