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Dear Parents, Guardians and Staff of Trumbull Public Schools:

In accordance with Connecticut State Law regarding application of pesticides in schools, the Board of Education has developed an Integrated Pest Management Plan (IPM). The goal of this plan is to reduce the amount of pesticide used by preventing pest access to the building and eliminating food sources and harborage. Alternative methods of pest control will be applied when appropriate. These may include structural maintenance, sanitation, and mechanical or biological control. These methods help eliminate conditions that are favorable to pest infestation, making their survival more difficult.

All Trumbull Board of Education facilities are regularly inspected by a certified Pest Control Contractor (PCC) to identify potential problem areas that may contribute to pest infestation within the facilities. The PCC makes recommendations for corrective measures that are consistent with the Integrated Pest Management Plan. Pesticides will not be applied on a routine basis; however, they may be used as a tool to maintain pest population at or below an acceptable level. When a pesticide is used, the least toxic product deemed effective for the application will be used. Proper implementation of this program will reduce the volume, toxicity and frequency of pesticide application, thereby reducing the risk of potential exposure of building occupants who may be sensitive to their use.

In accordance with State law, lawn care pesticides will not be used on Pre-K to 8th grade school grounds with the following exceptions:

- Playing fields at the middle schools may be treated in accordance with the IPM procedures
- An emergency application as necessary to eliminate an immediate threat to human health.

Staff, parents or guardians that would like to be notified prior to the application of pesticide at their school may register at their school office to receive these advisories. Notices will be sent at least 24 hours prior to application, except when an emergency condition exists, and will include the:

1. name of the active ingredient of the pesticide being used;
2. target pest;
3. location of the application on the school property;
4. date of the application; and
5. name of the school administrator or designee who may be contacted for further information.

Emergency applications shall be made in accordance with the IPM plan and the instructions on the pesticide label. Restricted use pesticides will not be used. Notice of such applications will be forwarded within 24 hours of application.

If you have questions or concerns about any of the above information, please do not hesitate to call the Board of Education, Plant Administrator, Stephen Kennedy at 452-4306 or my office. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

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Superintendent