



**DUNCANVILLE**  
Independent School District

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We would like to inform you that an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) approach for controlling insects, rodents, and weeds will be used at Duncanville ISD schools and facilities. The IPM approach we will be using focuses on making the school buildings and grounds an unfavorable place for pests to live and breed. Through maintenance and cleaning, we will reduce or eliminate available food and water sources and hiding places for pests. We will also routinely monitor the school area to detect pest problems and prevent the pests from becoming established. Some IPM techniques we will employ include monitoring, increased sanitation, sealing entry points, physically removing the pests, and modifying storage practices.

From time to time, it may be necessary to use chemicals to control a pest problem. Chemicals will only be used when necessary, and will not be routinely applied. When chemicals must be used, the school will try to use the least toxic products when possible. Access to treated areas will be secured against unauthorized access for the period specified on the pesticide label. Notices will be posted at application sites and will remain there until the posted safe re-entry time is met.

For your information, we have a list of pesticides and material safety and data sheets (SDS) that may be used in the school this school year. This list may be obtained by contacting the IPM coordinator at 972-708-2262.

You may request prior notification of specific pesticide applications made at any district school or facility. To receive notification, you must be placed on a notification registry. After the first day of school (August 27, 2012), registrants will be notified at least 48 hours before a pesticide is applied. If a chemical application must be made to control an emergency pest problem, notice will be provided as soon as possible after the application. Exemptions to this notification include cleaners (disinfectants), pesticides formulated as baits or gels, and any EPA exempt pesticide.

If you would like to be placed on this registry, or if you have any questions about the district IPM program, please contact district IPM Coordinator Jaime Padilla by email ([jpadilla@duncanvilleisd.org](mailto:jpadilla@duncanvilleisd.org)) or by phone at 972-708-2262. For further information about school IPM, please contact Joe Peterka, Director of Maintenance, at 972-708-2267 or visit <http://www.agr.state.tx.us> or <http://schoolipm.tamu.edu>

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