

## **Canon McMillan School District**

### **Integrated Pest Management**

CMSD uses an Integrated Pest Management approach for managing insects, rodents and weeds. Our goal is to protect staff and students from pesticide exposure by using an IPM approach to pest management. Our approach focuses on making the school building and grounds an unfavorable habitat for these pests by removing food and water sources and eliminating their hiding and breeding places.

We accomplish this through standard cleaning and maintenance practices. Pest sightings should be reported to the building custodian who evaluates the situation and determines the appropriate pest management techniques to address the problem. These techniques include increased sanitation, modified storage practices, sealed entry points or physically removing the pest.

If it is necessary to use pesticides registered by the Environmental Protection Agency to manage a pest problem, the pesticide will only be used as needed and will not be routinely applied. When a pesticide is necessary, the least toxic, most effective product will be used. Applications will be made only when unauthorized persons do not have access to the area being treated.

Attached is the district IPM procedure plan