The Superintendent shall develop procedures to assure that the District complies with the requirements of law regarding pesticide notification, posting and record keeping. This includes procedures for the annual notification of staff and parents of the District's pest control policies and methods; pre-notification of staff and parents of pesticide applications; posting of sites of pesticide applications; and record keeping, including an annual summary report of pesticide usage

The North Thurston School District will provide a safe and healthy environment for students, staff, and members of the community who use school properties. To this end, the District will utilize Integrated Pest Management(IPM) practices to control structural, nuisance, and landscape pest.

IPM is a sustainable approach to managing pests by combining biological, cultural, physical and chemical tools in a way that minimizes economic, health and environmental risks. IPM emphasizes preventing and reducing pest problems by using active, non-chemical control practices, rather than responding to a pest crisis through the use of pesticides or herbicides. IPM programs take advantage of all pest management options, including, but not limited to, the judicious use of pesticides and herbicides.

Legal References: RCW 17.21.410 Landscape Applications -

Marking of property, posting

requirements

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