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Dear Parents and Guardians of Pleasanton Unified School District Students:

From time to time, all of our schools have a need to use pesticides to ensure our sites remain safe and healthy for our students, staff, and the community.

The “Healthy Schools Act of 2000” requires annual notifications to parents, guardians and school district employees about the use of pesticides on their school sites. The Act requires all of the following:

The school district designee is to provide an annual list of all pesticide products that might be used on a school site. This product list includes over-the-counter pesticides available at retail outlets, but may not include certain products exempted by law.

Parents, guardians and school district employees will be afforded the opportunity to register with the school district to be notified of pesticide applications at their site 24 hours prior to application. (Emergency pesticide applications may prevent this 24-hour advance notification.)

The school district designee is to post warning signs at the site to receive pesticides 24 hours prior to application. Those warning signs are to remain in place for 72 hours after the application.

Pesticide application records will be maintained for a minimum of 4 years and will be made available to the public upon request.

With this notification, we are including a listing of pesticide products (*Pest Management Plan* document) that might be used at a school or district site during our fiscal school year 2024/2025. If you wish to be notified this year prior to pesticide application(s), please sign up when registering by providing your email address.

The Pest Management Program and strategy utilized in the Pleasanton Unified School District focuses on using the most effective, yet least toxic pesticides available. The District does not use nor authorize the use of Category I (highly toxic) pesticides. The use of non-exempt pesticides will be limited to emergency conditions and situations and performed during non-school hours or days (unless the emergency situation requires otherwise) to limit exposure to students and staff.

All pesticides used on schools or any district property will be used lawfully, sparingly and judiciously to avoid risk to people, properties and the environment.

Sincerely,

Mehdi Rajabzadeh
Executive Director of Operations