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Dear Parent or Guardian:

As of 2002, Pennsylvania signed into law legislation that mandates the adoption of an Integrated Pest Management plan for each school district in the state and a seventy-two-hour notification period prior to pesticide use in schools or on school grounds. This legislation also prohibits applications of pesticides within a school or on school grounds where students are expected to be present within seven hours following the applications (**except where pests pose an immediate threat to the health and safety of students or employees**).

An Integrated Pest Management plan is a plan which establishes a sustainable approach to managing pests by combining biological, cultural, physical and chemical tools in a way which minimizes economic, health, and environmental risks. Northern York County School District along with our pest management contractor has been following an Integrated Pest Management program for the past twenty years. This has been a program focusing on prevention (keeping food areas clean, keeping doors closed, etc.), building inspection (monthly building inspection by contractor), and application of either baits or sprays only when necessary.

The second part of the new law requires a seventy-two-hour notification period prior to pesticide application. If a parent would like to be notified about this application, please complete the attached form and return it to your child's buildings principal. (**ONLY IF YOU DESIRE NOTIFICATION**)

If you have any questions, please contact me at 432-8691 ext. 1100.

Thank you.

Mr. Jason Young
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