

Integrated Pest Management

The Ottawa Area Intermediate School District has adopted an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) program. Inherent with this are the District's efforts to reduce pesticide use as much as possible. While it may occasionally be necessary to apply a pesticide, they will only be used as a last resort. We use various techniques such as habitat alteration, sanitation, mechanical means, etc., to prevent pests from becoming a problem.

As required by law, advance notice of pesticide applications (other than bait or gel formulation) will be provided 48 hours before the application via two methods: 1) posting at school entrances, and 2) posting in a common area. Note that pesticides may be applied in an emergency (i.e. bees nest) without prior notice, but parents will be provided notice following any such application.

Parents are also entitled to receive this notice via first-class U.S. Mail postmarked at least 3 days prior to the application. If you would like to be notified by mail or review our IPM program, please address your requests to: Ottawa Area Intermediate School District, Attn.: Director of Facilities, 13565 Port Sheldon Street, Holland, MI 49424. Include your name, mailing address, phone number, and the school your child attends. Requests must be renewed annually.