San Diego Unified School District Integrated Pest Management Plan

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This plan meets the Healthy Schools Act requirement for an integrated pest management (IPM) plan.

IPM statement

SDUSD Board policy G–3200
Structural and landscape pests can pose a significant problem to people and the environment. Toxic pest control chemicals can also pose a significant problem to people and the environment. It is, therefore, the policy of the San Diego Unified School District to incorporate Integrated Pest Management (IPM) procedures for the control of structural and landscape pests. Integrated Pest Management means that pest problems will be alleviated with the least possible hazard to people, property, and the environment by using IPM methods that are safe, effective, and economically feasible. Pesticides will be carefully evaluated before use and will only be used after nontoxic and other safer methods have been considered. (Approved 10–91.)

IPM team
In addition to the IPM Coordinator, other individuals who are involved in purchasing, making IPM decisions, applying:

Robert Vaughn John Baker
Pest Control Supervisor EHS Program Supervisor

Brad Boyce Doug Pagliarini
Pest Control Lead Warehouse Supervisor

Pest management contracting
SDUSD-Physical Plant Operations may require contracted pest management services from licensed pest control businesses and who must also follow HSA requirements. SDUSD-Facilities Planning and
Construction may require contracted pest control management services when specified in construction documents. SDUSD construction related contracted pest management businesses are required to submit a “Notice of Intent” to apply pesticides to the District Safety Office 30 days prior to application confirming compliance with the Healthy Schools Act.

**Pest identification, monitoring and inspection**

Pest Identification is done by: SDUSD Pest Control Technicians

Monitoring and inspecting for pests and conditions that lead to pest problems are done regularly by: school site staff, Landscape staff and Pest Control Technicians. Results are communicated to the IPM Coordinator.

**Specific information about monitoring and inspecting for pests, such as locations, times, or techniques include:**

Pest Control will assign a pest control technician to a District site when there is a report of a pest problem. The site will be visited by Pest Control and the reported location will be inspected to determine the level of infestation.

If the level of infestation is minimal, integrated pest management methods will be implemented to maintain the infestation level. These methods include education, exclusion, sanitation and monitoring. Monitoring will be conducted by staff with assistance by Pest Control checking weekly to ensure pest infestation levels remain minimal.

When a infestation is determined to be moderate, integrated pest management methods will be implemented to reduce the infestation level. These methods include education, exclusion, sanitation and monitoring. Monitoring will be conducted by staff on a daily basis with Pest Control checking weekly to ensure pest infestation levels diminish. If infestation levels have not decreased, then pesticide application may be considered.

When a infestation is determind to be excessive and the risk of human health is significant, then an eradication could be considered as a pest control method. After the initial pesticide application, integrated pest management methods will be implemented to further reduce the infestation level. These methods include education, exclusion, sanitation and monitoring. Monitoring will be conducted by staff on a daily basis with Pest Control checking weekly to ensure pest infestation levels diminish. If infestation levels have not decreased, then a subsequent pesticide application may be considered.

**Pests and non-chemical management practices**

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**Chemical pest management practices**
If non-chemical methods are ineffective, the school district will consider pesticides only after careful monitoring indicates that they are needed according to pre-established action levels and will use pesticides that pose the least possible hazard and are effective in a manner that minimizes risks to people, property and the environment. The following pesticides may be applied during the year. (ATTACHMENT 1)

**Healthy Schools Act**

SDUSD complies with the notification, posting, recordkeeping, and all other requirements of the Healthy Schools Act. (Education Code Sections 17608 – 17613, 48980.3; Food & Agricultural Code Sections 13180 – 13188)

**Training**

Every year school district employees who make pesticide applications receive the following training prior to pesticide use:
- Pesticide specific safety training (Title 3 California Code of Regulations 6724)
- School IPM training course approved by the Department of Pesticide Regulation (Education Code Section 16714; Food & Agricultural Code Section 13186.5).

**Submittal of pesticide use reports**

Reports of all pesticides applied by school district staff during the calendar year, except pesticides exempt from HSA recordkeeping, are submitted to the Department of Pesticide Regulation by January 30 of the following Year.

**Notification**

SDUSD has made this IPM plan publicly available posting it online at the following web address:

[http://www.sandi.net/page/1839](http://www.sandi.net/page/1839)

**Review**

This IPM plan will be reviewed (and revised, if needed) at least annually to ensure that the information provided is still true

Date of next review: August 1, 2019

I acknowledge that I have reviewed this school district’s IPM Plan and it is true and correct.

Signature: [John P. Baker] Date: August 31, 2019

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1 These pesticides are exempt from all Healthy Schools Act requirements, except the training requirement: 1) products used in self-contained baits or traps, 2) gels or pastes used as crack and crevice treatments, 3) antimicrobials, and 4) pesticides exempt from U.S. EPA registration. (Education Code Section 17610.5)