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**COUDERSPORT AREA  
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**INTEGRATED PEST  
MANAGEMENT PLAN**

**COUDERSPORT AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
I.P.M. COMMITTEE**

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## **IDENTIFICATION AND DESCRIPTION OF SCHOOL PEST PROBLEMS**

The school has historically had problems with ants, mice, bees, white flies, and aphids. These pests have been identified as house ants, field mice, yellow jackets, wasp, white flies, and aphids. Mice are usually noticed in the fall as the weather cools, ants are seen throughout the school year, bees are seen in the spring and fall, the white flies and aphids are seen throughout the year.

The ants are usually seen in the cafeteria area near the soda machines. The mice are usually located in the kitchen area. And the white flies and aphids are usually noticed in the greenhouse. We will monitor the problem areas using glue boards and sticky traps to detect infestation.

The staff and students will be instructed concerning food waste sanitation. Pest report sheets will be placed in rooms B105, 226, D125 and checked regularly.

## **Coudersport Area School District Integrated Pest Management Plan**

### **Purpose:**

- Integrated Pest Management Plan, hereafter referred to as IPM Plan is designed to prevent pests from inhabiting the buildings, and to control the use of pesticides within and around the buildings of Coudersport Area School District.

### **Board Policy:**

- Policy number  
\*The supervisor of buildings and grounds is responsible for developing and incorporating Integrated Pest Management (IPM) procedures for the control of structural and landscape pests. All pesticides dispensed by district employees shall fall under the IPM Procedure.

### **Prevention:**

- Products that may draw pests into the buildings or its surroundings should be kept in the proper containers and areas. Do not leave candy, crackers and other eatables lie around which may draw pests. Teachers should have students check and clean out lockers and desks to make sure there are not any of these products to attract pests.
- Prevent loss of or damage to school structures or property.

### **Control:**

- IPM procedures will determine when to control pests and whether to use mechanical, physical, chemical, cultural, or biological means. IPM practitioners depend on current, comprehensive information on the pests, their environment and the best available pest control methods. These controls shall be non-toxic if at all possible.

### **Application:**

- Application of a pesticide, such as any spray, **WILL NOT** be applied during the time when students are present, and only applied seven hours (7) prior to occupation of buildings and grounds involved. We have non-spray and nontoxic ant and bee spray available. No one can apply pesticides, weed control unless they have applicators license.
- Pest control in the cafeterias and kitchens are by mechanical means only, and no sprays will be used. applicator. pests within the building will be handled The exception being applying non-toxic ant and bee sprays.

**Notification:**

- It is the school district's responsibility to notify all personnel when a pesticide, herbicide, are being applied on any school property. All applications will have a 72-hour notice prior to application.
- Notification can be achieved by several means: posting on the web site, sending a letter to parents/guardant, posting at all entrances to the school property. If persons are on the pesticide hypersensitivity registry distributed by the Department of Agriculture they are required to be notified by pone call, followed by registered letter.
- Emergency pesticide applications with notification to only those parents that request such notification.

**Records:**

- Records shall be kept of all chemical pest control treatments for three (3) years.

**Coudersport Area School District**

**Notice of Pesticide Application**

A Pesticide Application is planned for the location(s) listed on this sign for:

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Do Not Enter Treated Areas from**

\_\_\_\_\_ Until \_\_\_\_\_  
Date and Time Date and Time

**Location(s)** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**For more information contact:**

(Name) \_\_\_\_\_

(Address) \_\_\_\_\_

(Phone) \_\_\_\_\_

Date Posted / by \_\_\_\_\_

Date Removed / by \_\_\_\_\_

This sign is required by Act 36 of 2002 and must be posted at least 72 hours prior to any non-emergency pesticide application and remain in place for at least 48 hours following the application. For emergency pesticide applications this sign must be posted at the time of the application and remain in place for at least 48 hours from the conclusion of the application. To be removed by authorized personnel only.



The Coudersport Area School District uses an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) approach for managing insects, rodents and weeds. Our goal is to protect every student from pesticide exposure by using an IPM approach to pest management. Our IPM approach focuses on making the school building and grounds an unfavorable habitat for these pests by removing food and water sources and eliminating their hiding and breeding places. We accomplish this through routine cleaning and maintenance. We routinely monitor the school building and grounds to detect any pests that are present. The pest monitoring team consists of our building maintenance, office, and teaching staff. Pest sightings are reported to our IPM coordinator who evaluates the "pest problem" and determines the appropriate pest management techniques to address the problem. The techniques can include increased sanitation, modifying storage practices, sealing entry points, physically removing the pest, etc.

From time to time, it may be necessary to use pesticides registered by the Environmental Protection Agency to manage a pest problem. A pesticide will only be used when necessary, and will not be routinely applied. When a pesticide is necessary, the school will try to use the least toxic product that is effective. Applications will be made only when unauthorized persons do not have access to the area(s) being treated. Notices will be posted in these areas 72 hours prior to application and for two days following the application.

Parents or guardians of students enrolled in the school may request prior notification of specific pesticide applications made at the school. To receive notification, you must be placed on the school's notification registry. If you would like to be placed on this registry, please notify the district in writing. Please include your email address if you would like to be notified electronically.

If a pesticide application must be made to control an emergency pest problem, notice will be provided to any parent or guardian who has requested such notification in writing. Exemptions to this notification include disinfectants and antimicrobial products; self-containerized baits placed in areas not accessible to students, and gel type baits placed in cracks, crevices or voids.

Each year the district will prepare a new notification registry.

If you have any questions, please contact Steve Gerner at 274-9480, IPM Coordinator.

Sincerely,

Steven D. Gerner  
Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds



**Coudersport Area School District**  
**814-274-9480**

**Pest Control Information Sheet**

**A pest inspection and pesticide application have been scheduled for**

This school district utilizes an Integrated Pest Management program, applying appropriate pesticides only when needed. Our applicators will select the most appropriate pesticide(s) from the following list of pesticides to control pests identified during their inspections. Not every pesticide listed maybe used.

List of Pesticides, which may be used:

For additional information contact: Steve Gerner  
I.P.M Coordinator

This information is being provided to all school staff and to parents and guardians who have requested this information to meet the requirements of Act 36 of 2002.



Coudersport Area Elementary School  
Mr. Steven D. Gerner,  
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802 Vine Street  
Coudersport, PA 16915  
August 2017

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