

## **Pesticide Application Registry & IPM Program**

Dover Area School District has adopted an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) program for managing insects, rodents, and weeds. Our foremost goal is to protect students and keep them safe from pesticide exposure. The term “pesticide” includes insecticides, herbicides, pesticides, or fungicides. Only after trying non-chemical and the least toxic means to control a pest problem will pesticide use be deemed necessary. If a pesticide is to be applied on the school district property, including during the summer months, a public notice will be posted at all main entrances to the school building(s), and at the main entrance to the District office, at least 72 hours prior to the planned treatment and for 48 hours following the planned treatment.

Parents and guardians of enrolled students may request prior notification of specific pesticide applications made at DASD. To receive notification, contact the District’s IPM Coordinator in writing to request to be placed onto this registry. This request must be submitted annually to the District’s IPM Coordinator with your name, phone number, and email address. Each year the District will prepare a new notification registry.

If a pesticide application must be made to control an emergency pest problem (stinging insects, etc) which poses an immediate threat to the health and safety of students or employees, notice will be provided by telephone to any parent/guardian on the annual registry list. Exemptions to these notifications include disinfectants and anti-microbial products; self-containerized baits placed in areas not accessible to students, gel-type baits placed in cracks, crevices, or voids; and swimming pool maintenance chemicals.