

Annual Integrated Pest Management Notice  
For School Year 2022-2023

To Parents, Guardians, and Staff Members

This notice is being distributed to comply with the New Jersey School Integrated Pest Management Act. The Wharton Board of Education has adopted an Integrated Pest Management (IPM ) Policy and has implemented an IPM Plan to comply with this law. IPM is a holistic, preventive approach to managing pests is explained further in the school's IPM Policy included in this notice.

All schools in New Jersey are required to have an Integrated Pest Management Coordinator (IPM Coordinator) to oversee all activities related to IPM and pesticide use at the schools.

The IPM Coordinator for the Wharton School District is:

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Business Administrator  
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The IPM Coordinator maintains the pesticide product label, and the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) (when one is available), of each pesticide product that may be used on school property. The label and the MSDS are available for review by a parent, guardian, staff member, or student attending the school. Also, the IPM Coordinator is available to parents, guardians, and staff members for information and to discuss comments about IPM activities and pesticide use at the school.

As part of the school pest management plan, Wharton Schools may use pesticides to control pests. The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) register pesticides to determine that the use of a pesticide in accordance with instructions printed on the label does not pose an unreasonable risk to human health and the environment. Nevertheless, the EPA and the DEP cannot guarantee that registered pesticides do not pose any risk to human health, thus unnecessary exposure to pesticides should be avoided. The EPA has issued the statement that where possible, persons who are potentially sensitive, such as pregnant women, infants, and children, should avoid unnecessary pesticide exposure.

The following pesticides have been used at this location in the past 12 months:

- Advion Gel Bait (0.6% Indoxacarb), EPA #173584-44-6
- EcoExempt Jet Wasp/Hornet Spray 2-Phenethyl Propionate; Rosemary Oil, Peppermint Oil, Geraniol EPA exempt