

Eau Claire Public Schools ~ 6190 West Main Street ~ Eau Claire, Michigan ~ 49111

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## **ANNUAL ADVISORY TO ALL PARENTS**

## Dear Parent/Guardian:

Eau Claire Public Schools has adopted an Integrated Pest Management program to reduce pesticide use as much as possible. While applying a pesticide may occasionally be necessary, we will not rely on routine pesticide applications to resolve problems. We use various techniques, such as habitat alteration, sanitation, mechanical means, exclusion, etc., to prevent pests from becoming a problem.

As required by Michigan law, you will receive advanced notice of the non-emergency application of a pesticide (insecticide, fungicide, or herbicide) other than bait or gel formulation, which is made to the school, school grounds, or buildings. This advance notice of a pesticide application will be given 48 hours before the application by the following two methods:

- 1. Posting at the primary entrances to your child's school. The entrances that will be posted are the main entrance and those with a sidewalk leading directly to a parking lot.
- 2. Posting in the common area located by the main office of the school

Please note that notification is not given for the use of sanitizers, germicides, disinfectants, or anti-microbial cleaners. In specific emergencies, such as an infestation of stinging insects, pesticides may be applied without prior notice to prevent injury to students. Still, you will be promptly notified following any such application via the two posting methods identified (above).

Upon request, you may review the school's Integrated Pest Management program and records of any pesticide application by contacting the District Central Office at 269) 461-6947.

Parents or guardians of children attending the school are also entitled to receive advance notice of a pesticide application, other than a bait or gel formulation, by first-class United States mail postmarked at least three days before the application if they so request. If you would like to be notified by mail, please contact the District Central Office at 269-461-6947. Please provide your name, mailing address, and what school(s) your child or children attend, and you will be put on the advance notification by US Mail list.

Respectfully,

Chun Marie Cluff
Superintendent
Eau Claire Public Schools

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