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The New Jersey School Integrated Pest Management Act of 2002 requires schools to implement a school integrated pest management policy that includes an Integrated Pest Management Plan. In accordance with the requirements of the Act, Bancroft Schools shall ensure implementation of Integrated Pest Management (IPM) procedures to control pests and minimize exposure of children, faculty, and staff to pesticides. These procedures shall be applicable to all school property.

IPM Coordinator (IPMC)

The School Business Manager and Principal shall be designated as the school's Integrated Pest Management Coordinator (IPMC) and is responsible for the implementation of the school integrated pest management policy.

Integrated Pest Management Procedures in Schools

Implementation of Integrated Pest Management (IPM) procedures will determine when to control pests and whether to use mechanical, physical, cultural, biological, or chemical methods. Applying IPM principles prevents unacceptable levels of pest damage by the most economical means and with the least possible hazard to people, property, and the environment

The Integrated Pest Management Coordinators (IPMC) shall consider the full range of management options, including no action at all. Non-pesticide pest management methods are to be used whenever possible. The choice of using a pesticide shall be based on a review of all other available options and a determination that these options are not effective or not reasonable. When it is determined that a pesticide must be used, low impact pesticides and methods are preferred and shall be considered for use first.

Development of IPM plans

The Executive Director, in collaboration with the school Principal(s) and the IPMC, shall be responsible for the development of the IPM Plan for the school. The school's Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Plan is a blueprint of how the school will manage pests through IPM methods. The school's IPM Plan will state the school's goals regarding the management of pests and the use of pesticides for all school property. The Plan will reflect the school's site-specific needs and a description of how each component



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of the school's Integrated Pest Management Policy and Regulation will be implemented for all school property.

Education/Training

The school community will be educated about potential pest problems and IPM methods used to achieve the pest management objectives.

The IPMC, other school staff, and pesticide applicators involved with implementation of the school's IPM policy will be trained in appropriate components of IPM as it pertains to the school environment.

Students and parents will be provided information on this policy and instructed on how they can contribute to the success of the IPM program.

Recordkeeping

Records of pesticide use shall be maintained on site to meet the requirements of the State regulatory agency and the Board.

Records shall also include, but are not limited to, pest surveillance data sheets and other non-pesticide pest management methods and practices utilized.

Notification/Posting

The Principal, working with the IPMC, is responsible for timely notification to students, parents and the school staff of pesticide treatments pursuant to the School Integrated Pest Management Act.

Re-entry

Re-entry to a pesticide treated area shall conform to the requirements of the School Integrated Pest Management Act.

Pesticide Applicators

The IPMC shall ensure that applicators follow State regulations, including licensing requirements and label precautions, and must comply with all components of the School Integrated Pest Management Policy.

Evaluation



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The Executive Director will report annually to the Board on the effectiveness of the IPM Plan and make recommendations for improvement as needed.

The school's Integrated Pest Management Plan, Policy and Regulation shall be implemented not later than June 12, 2004.

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