



QUILLAYUTE VALLEY SCHOOLS

Office of Superintendent

MEMO TO: QVSD Staff, Students, Parents, Guardians and Interested Parties

FROM: Diana Reaume, Superintendent

SUBJECT: Legal Notice—Pest Control Policies and Methods

DATE: August 1, 2019

REGARDING PEST CONTROL POLICIES AND METHODS

The Quillayute Valley School District, in compliance with RCW 17.21, provides written annual notification to parents or guardians and employees describing the District's pest control policies and methods. This communication will be distributed to students and staff at the start of each school year and upon enrollment of new students or hire of new employees that occur after the starting date of school. This notice is also published annually in the Forks Forum newspaper.

The pre-notification at a minimum shall state: "Notice: Pesticide Application" and include the product name of the pesticide to be applied, the intended date and time of application, the location to which the pesticide is to be applied, the pest to be controlled, and the name and phone number of the District contact person. Pesticide applications (herbicides, fungicides, insecticides) are applied by trained District employees or licensed pest control applicators. The District will provide notification at least 48 hours before a pesticide application to a school site/facility. This notification will be posted in a prominent place in the main office of the school/site. Upon request, interested persons may arrange to be notified in writing of applications by contacting Guadalupe Silva at 360-374-6262 ext. 126 or email at guadalupe.silva@qvschools.org.

An application to District property must be made within 48 hours following the intended date and time stated in the notification or the notification process will be repeated. Pre-notification is not required if the school facility application is made when students do not occupy the school for at least two consecutive days after application. The pre-notification requirements do not apply to any emergency school facility application for control of any pest that poses an immediate human health or safety threat, e.g. an application to control stinging insects. When an emergency school facility application is made, notification consistent with the District's notification system shall occur as soon as possible after the application. Pre-notification is not required for application of antimicrobial pesticides or the placement of insect or rodent baits that are not accessible to children.

The District shall comply with all legal requirements for record keeping regarding the application of pesticides to school grounds or school facilities. This includes creation of an annual summary report of pesticide usage and compliance with state department of agriculture rules regarding the record keeping. Such records will be available on request by interested persons under the state Public Records Act and other laws. The annual summary will be available on September 15 for the applications of the preceding year. Please contact the Quillayute Valley School District Maintenance Office at 360-374-6262 ext. 126 for information about pesticide application records and the annual pesticide application summary.

A copy of the Board Policy #6895 "Pesticides Notification, Posting and Record Keeping" is available from the QVSD District Office or online at www.qvschools.org. For more information, please contact Bill Henderson at 360-374-6262 ext. 109 or Lindsey Wallerstedt at 360-374-6262 ext. 267.

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