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TO: Directors
FROM: Rob McCombs, Director
Maintenance & Operations
SUBJECT: Pesticide Notification Requirements

The Healthy Schools Act of 2007 mandates that all school districts and county superintendent of schools' offices implement an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) program. Major components of the program include:

1. Publicly posted notification 24 hours in advance of and 72 hours after each pest Control service
2. Notification of parents/guardians and site employees

Attached is a master schedule of the pest control services at the schools and programs operated by the Kern County Superintendent of Schools Office. Please share this schedule with your staff. You will also find a master copy of the notice you must post in a visible location 24 hours prior to and for 72 hours following each pest control service. Please photocopy as needed and change the dates as appropriate, referring to the master schedule. I anticipate that you will assign this function to the each site's on-location supervisor.

Also attached is a memo entitled "Annual Pesticide Use Notification." This memo, along with the master schedule of pesticide use, must be distributed to the parents/guardians of the students in your program(s). This master schedule serves as the official notification of pesticide use.

Parents/guardians have the option of requesting individual notification prior to each pesticide service. To receive such notification, the parent/guardian must return the form at the bottom of the memo within 60 days from date of letter. If any forms are returned, please maintain the original copy of the form in the student's file, and forward a copy to my attention. The site supervisor is responsible for distributing the individual notifications at least 24 hours in advance of the service. A master "Individual Notification" is attached for your use. Please photocopy as needed, fill in the dates as appropriate, and distribute only to those parents/guardians who have returned the form requesting separate notification.

Special note: when enrolling a new student, be sure to give them a copy of the memo and master schedule.

KCSOS programs operating on school district sites will now have pest control services managed by the district. You, your students and their parents/guardians should be notified of pest control activity along with the rest of the school site as part of the district's IPM. Please contact the principal or site supervisor for more information.

If your program is not listed on the master schedule and you receive pest control service, please contact me as soon as possible. If you have questions regarding any of the above information, I would be happy to talk with you at your convenience (661) 852-5859. With diligence and cooperation we will remain in compliance with the Healthy Schools Act of 2007.

Thank you.

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