Pesticide Application on School Property

It is the policy of the Eastford Board of Education to implement an integrated pest management plan to reduce the amounts of pesticides applied in the building, or the grounds of the Eastford Elementary School, by using all available pest control techniques including judicious use of pesticides, when warranted, to maintain a pest population at or below an acceptable level, while decreasing the use of pesticides.

The decision to apply a pesticide in the building or on the grounds of the Eastford Elementary School is dependent on results of periodic monitoring for pest populations to determine if a pest problem exists that exceeds acceptable threshold levels.

No application of pesticide shall be made in the building or on the grounds of the Eastford Elementary School during regular school hours or during planned activities at the school except as provided by Connecticut statute or regulation.

Parents or guardians of children in the school and/or staff members in the school may register for prior notice of pesticide application at their school. The school shall maintain a registry of persons requesting such notice, and shall provide notice to registered individuals in accordance with applicable Connecticut statutory and regulatory provisions.

The Superintendent may direct that an emergency application of a lawn care pesticide be made without prior notice to parents or guardians of children and/or staff members in the school in the event of a threat to human health, subject to applicable Connecticut statutory and regulatory provisions.

The Superintendent may direct that an emergency application of an appropriate pesticide be made during regular school hours or during planned activities at school without prior notice to parents or guardians of children and/or staff members in the school in the event of an immediate threat to human health, subject to applicable Connecticut statutory and regulatory provisions.

There shall be no application of any lawn care pesticide on the grounds of the school with students in grade eight (8) or lower, except on an emergency basis, subject to applicable Connecticut statutory and regulatory provisions.

Legal References:

Connecticut General Statutes:

§10-231a §10-231b §10-231d

Special Session Public Act 15-5, §§ 437-38, "An Act Implementing Provisions of the State Budget for the Biennium Ending June 30, 2017, Concerning General Government, Education, Health and Human Services and Bonds of the State"

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