

August 8, 2024

2024-25 ADVISORY TO ALL PARENTS

Dear Parents/Guardians and Students;

Ingham Intermediate School District has adopted an Integrated Pest Management approach to control pests. Inherent with this are the District's efforts to reduce pesticide use as much as possible. While it may occasionally be necessary to apply a pesticide, these will only be used as a last resort. This program **does not** rely on routine pesticide applications to resolve problems. We use various techniques such as a habitat alteration, sanitation, mechanical means, exclusion, etc. to prevent pest from becoming a problem.

You will receive advanced notice of the application of a pesticide, other than bait or gel formulations at your child's school. This advance notice of the application will be given 48 hours before the application. The law requires us to do this notification will be given 48 hours before the application. The law requires us to do this notification by using two methods. The two methods include notification posted at the primary entrance to your child's school and notification posted in a common area of your child's school located by the main office. Primary entrances are the entrances that have a sidewalk that leads directly to a parking lot.

If you would like to be personally notified in advance by email, phone or first-class US mail, please contact the Facilities Department at 517.244.1235 or nbelman@inghamisd.org. Please give the following information: your name, email address/mailing address/phone number, student's name and the school your child attends. Feel free to leave a detailed message if your call goes to voicemail.

In an emergency (for example, bees nest), pesticides may be applied without prior notice, but you will be provided notice following any such application.

You may review our IPM program or pesticide application records for your child's school by calling the Facilities Department at 517.244.1235 or emailing nbelman@inghamisd.org. This number and email may also be used when school is not in regular session.

Sincerely,

Steve Rusnock

Director, Facilities and Safety