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Dear Parent(s), Guardian(s), and School Staff:

New York State Education Law § 409-h requires all public elementary and secondary schools to provide written notification to all persons in parental relation, faculty, and staff regarding the potential use of pesticides periodically throughout the school year or summer school session. The Patchogue-Medford School District is required to maintain a list of persons in parental relation, faculty, and staff who wish to receive 48-hour prior written notice of certain pesticide applications. The following pesticide applications are not subject to prior notification requirements:

- Where a school remains unoccupied for a continuous 72 hours following application of the pesticide;
- Anti-microbial pesticides and products;
- Aerosol products with a directed spray in containers of 18 fluid ounces or less when used to protect individuals from an imminent threat from stinging and biting insects, including venomous spiders, bees, wasps, and hornets;
- Nonvolatile rodenticides in tamper-resistant bait stations or in areas inaccessible to children;
- Silica gels and other nonvolatile ready-to-use paste, foam, and gel formulations of insecticide in areas inaccessible to children;
- Nonvolatile insecticidal baits in tamper resistant bait stations or in areas inaccessible to children;
- Boric acid and disodium octaborate tetrahydrate;
- A product designated by the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as a biopesticide;
- A product classified by the EPA as an exempt material under 40 CFR 152.25; and
- An emergency application of a pesticide to protect against an imminent threat to human health.

If you would like to receive 48-hour prior notification of pesticide applications that are scheduled to occur in your school, please complete the form below and return it to the Patchogue-Medford School District pesticide representative: Attention: Office of Plants & Facilities, 121 Saxton Street, Patchogue, NY 11772, or via email at facilities-info@pmschools.org. Please feel free to contact the office of Plants & Facilities for further information on these requirements.

Respectfully,



Michael J. Hynes
Superintendent of Schools

| Patchogue-Medford School District Request for Pesticide Application Notification | | |
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| School Building: | | |
| Name: | | Address: |
| Day Phone: | Evening Phone: | Email Address: |