Annual Notification of Pesticide Applications

(Michigan School Notice for Parents and Caregivers)
August 19, 2026

Dear Parent or Guardian:

State of Michigan law requires schools that may apply pesticides on school property to provide an annual notification to parents or guardians of students attending the facility.

Please be advised that **Big Jackson Public School** utilizes an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) approach to control pests. IPM uses a variety of techniques to prevent pests from reaching unacceptable levels or to reduce an existing population to an acceptable level. Pest management techniques emphasize sanitation, pest exclusion, and biological controls. One of the objectives of using an IPM approach is to reduce or eliminate the need for pesticide applications. However, certain situations may require the use of pesticides.

As required by State of Michigan law (MCL 324.8316), the school will provide advance notice regarding the non-emergency application of a pesticide such as an insecticide, fungicide, or herbicide, **other than a bait or gel formulation**, that is made to the school buildings or grounds. Advance notice will be provided even during periods when school is not in session. Advance notice is **not** given for the use of sanitizers, germicides, disinfectants, or anti-microbial cleaners.

In certain emergencies, such as an infestation of stinging insects, pesticides may be applied without advance notice to prevent injury to students, but the school will provide notice following any such application.

Please contact the principal Jennifer Farmer if you have any questions:

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