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Subject: **Annual Parent/Guardian Pesticide Use Notification and Request Application for Notification**

Dear Parent/Guardian:

The Happy Valley Union Elementary School District has adopted an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Policy. This policy includes notifying parents/guardians of pesticide use. During the school year, it may be necessary to apply pesticides at your child’s school to avoid serious health problems posed by pests and/or maintain the integrity of the structure. You are notified as follows:

- An application of the pesticides on the Approved List may be applied during the school year. A list of pesticide products has been approved for use at all HVUESD sites. The list of approved pesticides can be found in each school office, the District Office, or online at www.hvused.net.
- The selection and use of the least hazardous methods and materials effective for the control of targeted pests will be implemented.
- Warning signs will be posted at all entrances to school property 24 hours prior to regular pesticide application and will remain posted for 72 hours after the application. **Professional Exterminators of Redding** routinely sprays for pests on the first Saturday of each month for the exterior of the buildings.
- In the event the use of a product is required and is **not** on the Approved List, you will be notified 72-hours in advance. The exception would be under an emergency circumstance that would warrant an immediate response for safety of the children and/or staff. A notification will go out within 24-hours after a pesticide application.
- Only **authorized** pest management staff may use pesticides on any HVUESD property.
- Non-chemical prevention of pests is always preferred and the application of a pesticide will only be used “as needed” to correct the problem.
- For more information on pesticide use and pesticide use reduction please refer to the Department of Pesticide Regulation @ <https://www.cdpr.ca.gov>.

Parents or guardians may request in writing to be notified for each pesticide application 72-hours prior to the anticipated application. If your child’s health and/or behavior would be influenced by an exposure to a pesticide product and you would like to be notified each time a pesticide application takes place at

your child's school (**other than those applications by Professional Exterminators of Redding**) please complete and return the attached form to your child's school administration office.

Sincerely,

Gina Murphy
Superintendent/Primary School Principal