Pest Mangagement

Homer Community Schools has adopted an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) pro gram. 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. The Pest Management Program that is used is through the following companies:

Indoor Pest Management Outdoor Pest Management Company

TruGreen Commercial 9077 Portage Industrial Dr Portage, MI 49024 269-323-2900 www.trugreencommercial.com

This program does not rely on routine pesticide applications to resolve problems. Varioustechniques such as habitat alteration, sanitation, mechanical means, exclusion, etc., to preventpest from becoming a problem.

Parents 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 the district to do this notification by using two methods. The first method required by the law is the posting at the primary entrances to your child's school. The second method the district is using is the posting in a common entrance area located by the superintendent's office.

A single pesticide applications will be applied to the elementary and pre-school playground areas. Notification will be posted in advance of application

In an emergency (for example, bees nest), pesticides may be applied without prior notice, butyou will be provided notice following any s uch application.

You may review the

district's IPM program or pesticide application records for your child's school by calling the superintendent's office at (517) 568-4463. This number may also be usedwhen school is not in regular session.