OSBA Model Sample Policy

Code: EBB
Adopted:

Integrated Pest Management

{ORS 634.740 requires boards to adopt policies regarding pest management.}

To ensure the health and safety concerns of student, staff and community members, the ~~district~~Board shall adopt an integrated pest management plan (IPM){[1]} which emphasizes the least possible risk to students, staff and community members and shall adopt a list[2] of low-impact pesticides for use with the IPM plan. The IPM plan and list shall be available to the public through the district's website[3].

The IPM plan is a proactive strategy that:

1. Focuses on the long-term prevention or suppression of pest problems through economically sound measures that:

   a. Protect the health and safety of students and staff;
   b. Protect the integrity of district buildings and grounds;
   c. Maintain a productive learning environment; and
   d. Protect local ecosystem health.

2. Focuses on the prevention of pest problems by working to reduce or eliminate conditions of property construction, operation and maintenance that promote or allow for the establishment, feeding, breeding and proliferation of pest populations or other conditions that are conducive to pests or that create harborage for pests;

3. Incorporates the use of sanitation, structural remediation or habitat manipulation or of mechanical, biological and chemical pest control measures that present a reduced risk or have a low-impact and, for the purpose of mitigating a declared pest emergency, the application of pesticides that are not low-impact pesticides;

4. Includes regular monitoring and inspections to detect pests, pest damage and unsanctioned pesticide usage;

5. Evaluates the need for pest control by identifying acceptable pest population density levels;

6. Monitors and evaluates the effectiveness of pest control measures;

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[1] {See Integrated Pest Management Program for Oregon Schools at http://blogs.oregonstate.edu/schoolipm/. The program includes access to Resources & Forms including Model plans for large school districts and small school districts.}

[2] See ORS 634.705(5).

[3] Inclusion of the list and IPM in the district's Healthy and Safe Schools Plan satisfies this requirement as long as it is posted on the district's website.

7. Excludes the application of pesticides on a routine schedule for purely preventive purposes, other than applications of pesticides designed to attract or be consumed by pests;

8. Excludes the application of pesticides for purely aesthetic purposes;

9. Includes school staff education about sanitation, monitoring, inspection and pest control measures;

10. Gives preference to the use of nonchemical pest control measures;

11. Allows the use of low-impact pesticides if nonchemical pest control measures are ineffective; and

12. Allows the application of a pesticide that is not a low-impact pesticide only to mitigate a declared pest emergency or if the application is by, or at the direction or order of, a public health official.

The ~~district shall designate the~~ [insert position title] is designated as the Integrated Pest Management Plan Coordinator~~(s) give them~~and has the authority for overall implementation and evaluation of the IPM plan.

Integrated Pest Management Plan Coordinator

The IPM Plan Coordinator~~(s)~~ shall:

1. Attend not less than six hours of IPM training each year. The training shall include at least a general review of integrated pest management principles and the requirements of IPM as required by Oregon statute;

2. Ensure appropriate prior notices are given and posted warnings have been placed when pesticide applications are scheduled;

3. Oversee pest prevention efforts;

4. Ensure identification and evaluation of pest situation;

5. Determine the means of appropriately managing pest damage that will cause the least possible hazard to people, property and the environment;

6. Ensure the proper use and application of pesticide applications when non-pesticide controls have been unsuccessful;

7. Evaluate pest management results;~~ and~~

8. Keep for at least four years following the application date, records of applied pesticides that include:

    a. A copy of the label;
    b. A copy of the Safety Data Sheet (SDS);
    c. The brand name and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) registration number of the product;
    d. The pest condition that prompted the application;
    e. The approximate amount and concentration of pesticide applied;
    f. The location and description of the area where the pesticide was applied;
    g. The type of application and whether the application was effective;
    h. The name(s) of the person(s) applying the pesticide;

i. The pesticide applicator's license numbers and pesticide trainee or certificate numbers of the person applying the pesticide;
j. The dates and times for the placement and removal of warning signs; and
k. Copies of all required notices given, including the dates the IPM Coordinator(s) gave the notices.

9. Respond to inquiries about the IPM plan and refer complainants to Board policy KL - Public Complaints; and

10. Conduct outreach to district staff about the district's IPM plan.

At least once every five years, the Board shall review the IPM plan, make any necessary updates and readopt the IPM plan.[4] The final IPM plan shall include the day, month and year the Board adopted or readopted the plan.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

ORS 634.116
ORS 634.700 - 634.750

[4] For IPMs adopted prior to January 1, 2026, the Board shall review, update and readopt the IPM no later than January 1, 2027, or five years from the date of the most recent approval of the plan, whichever is later.