Pesticide Notification Registry for Schools

At least 48 hours prior to a pesticide application at a school, the school corporation must provide planned pesticide application details to parents, guardians, and staff members requesting to be notified. Parents, guardians and staff must be registered with the school to receive such advance notice.

Details of this requirement are as follows:

1. This requirement is the same whether the pesticides are being applied by a licensed pesticide contractor hired by the school to control the pest(s) or by certified and licensed school staff that perform the pest control for the school corporation.

2. It is the responsibility of the school corporation to develop the advance notification registry & to provide the notification to those registered.

3. The school corporation may determine what mechanism works best for them to provide the advance notice.

4. The school corporation must invite parents, guardians & staff to be added to the registry at the start of each school year or when a student enrolls or transfers in.

5. The following must be part of the notice provided to those on the registry:
   a) name or address of school;
   b) contact information for more details (name, license #, telephone #);
   c) anticipated date & time of pesticide application;
   d) pest(s) being targeted (i.e. weeds, bedbugs, fleas, roaches, ants…);
   e) description of application area (i.e. football field, fence lines, kitchen…);
   f) pesticide(s) to be used (brand name, EPA reg. no. & manufacturer); and
   g) explanation if 48 hour advance notice is not provided as required.

6. Advance notice is not required for the following pesticide applications:
   a) disinfectants, germicides, sanitizers, swimming pool chemicals, gel or paste bait insecticides, manufactured enclosed insecticides stations; & self-applied insect repellents;
   b) immediate student health threat situations (i.e. stinging wasps & bees);
   c) areas completely away from student-occupied buildings & areas; and
   d) those made more than 48 hours before a scheduled school day.