

Pesticide Application and Management

It is the policy of the Richland School District that students and staff have a right to a healthy learning and working environment. The District will work to achieve this, in part, by reducing the use of pesticides and other toxic chemicals through the use of an Integrated Pest Management plan in buildings and in the grounds programs. The goal of this policy is to create and maintain sustainable, healthy school environments by using methods that emphasize the protection of students' and employees' health and use ecologically sound practices in order to achieve long-term prevention and suppression of pest problems. The Integrated Pest Management regulations and procedures are detailed in Washington State Statute and Washington Administrative Code.

The District will comply with the legal requirements regarding pesticide notification, posting and record keeping. This includes procedures for the annual notification of staff and parents of the District's pest control and methods; pre-notification of staff and parents of pesticide applications; posting of sites of pesticide applications; and record keeping, including an annual summary report of pesticide usage.

Legal Reference: RCW 17.21 Washington Pesticide Application Act

Richland School District #400

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