

BlueSkies for Children Integrated Pest Management Plan

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IPM Coordinator:

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IPM Goals:

It is the goal of BlueSkies for children to implement IPM by focusing on long-term prevention or suppression of pests through accurate pest identification, by frequent monitoring for pest presence, by applying appropriate action levels, and by making the habitat less conducive to pests using sanitation and mechanical and physical controls. Pesticides that are effective will be used in a manner that minimizes risks to people, property, and the environment, and only after other options have been shown ineffective.

Our pest management objectives are to maintain a safe and healthy environment for young children by focusing on pest prevention.

IPM Team:

Name and Title	Role in IPM Program
Spencer Perry, Operations Director	IPM Decisions, Purchasing, Identification, Applying
Christa Edwards, Assistant Program Director	IPM Decisions, Purchasing, Identification, Applying
LaTasha Robinson, Cook, Food Service Manager	Identification, Applying

Pest Identification, monitoring, and inspection:

Pest identification is done by Teachers, Housekeeping Staff, Office Staff. Monitoring and inspecting for pests and conditions that lead to pest problems are done regularly by Teachers, Housekeeping Staff, and results are communicated to the IPM Coordinator

If any signs of pests are seen, they are reported to the IPM Coordinator. Sticky traps are then placed to attract pests and they are checked daily to see what is
(Compliant with Healthy School Acts requirement for an integrated pest management (IPM) plan)

captured. After pests are trapped they will be identified in order to appropriately mitigate the infestation.

Pests and non-chemical management practices

The school has identified the following pests and routinely uses the following non-chemical practices to prevent pests from reaching the action level.

Pest	Remove Food	Fix Leaks	Seal Cracks	Install Barriers	Physical Removal	Traps	Manage Irrigation	Other
Ants	x							
Cockroaches	X	X						
Mice	X		X			X		
Rats	x		x	x		X		

Chemical pest management practices

If non-chemical methods are ineffective, BlueSkies will consider pesticides only after the careful monitoring indicates that they are needed according to pre-established action levels and will use pesticides that pose the least possible hazard and are effective in a manner that minimizes risks to people, property, and the environment.

BlueSkies may apply the following pesticides (pesticide products and active ingredients) during the year in areas that are not accessible to children:

- Ant Bait Stations
- Cockroach Traps or Gel Bait
- Mouse and Rat Traps

Disinfectants are used on changing tables and to clean bodily fluids. They are stored out of children’s reach. Sanitizers are used to clean eating and food preparation surfaces. They are stored out of children’s reach.

Health Schools Act

BlueSkies complies with the notification, posting, recordkeeping and all other requirements of the Healthy Schools Act. (Education Code Sections 17608-17613, 48980.3; Food & Agricultural Code Sections 13180-13188)

Training

Every year BlueSkies employees who make pesticide applications receive the following training prior to pesticide use:

- Pesticide specific safety training (Title 3 California Code of Regulations 6724)

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- School IPM training course approved by the Department of Pesticide Regulation (Education Code Section 16714; Food & Agricultural Code Section 13186.5).

Submittal of pesticide use reports

Reports of all pesticides used by BlueSkies staff during the calendar year, except pesticides exempt from HAS recordkeeping, are submitted to the Department of Pesticide Regulation at least annually, by January 30 of the following year, using the form provided at www.cdpr.ca.gov/schoolipm . (Education Code Section 16711)

Notification

BlueSkies has made this IPM plan publically available by the following methods:

- This IPM plan is posted at the front desk.
- This IPM plan can be found online at the following web address:
<http://blueskies4children.org/wp2/parents/new-parents/>
- This IPM plan is sent out to all parents, guardians, and staff annually.

Review

This IPM plan will be reviewed and revised (if needed) at least annually to ensure that the information provided is still true and correct. Date of next review:
09/01/2018

I acknowledge that I have reviewed BlueSkies for Children's IPM Plan and it is true and correct:



Signature: _____

Date: 09/01/2017