

Integrated Pest Management Notice

The School District of West Salem's Maintenance Department has adopted an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Policy. This is a voluntary program sponsored by the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection and the University of Wisconsin Extension Service. The IPM in schools protects human health by:

- Suppressing pests that may carry diseases
- Reducing pest damage
- Reducing environmental pollution
- Reducing human exposure to pesticides.

IPM requires continuous assessment of a situation. Four key questions that must be answered before implementing any management strategy are :

- Is treatment necessary?
- Where should treatment take place?
- When should action be taken?
- What strategies should be used?

If all other control methods (traps, physical repellents, screens, etc.) are not successful and chemicals are necessary, they would not be used when staff and students are present. If your child is chemically fragile, please notify the school district.