

# **Pierz Public Schools**

## **Annual Integrated Pest Management Pesticide Notification**

Pierz Public Schools uses a licensed, professional pest control service firm for the prevention and control of rodents, insects, and other pests in and around the district's buildings.

Pests can sting, bite, cause contamination, damage property and spread disease; therefore, we must prevent their presence and control them as necessary. The district or outside contractors may also apply herbicides on district properties, as deemed necessary. The long-term health effects on children from the application of such pesticides may not be fully understood. All pest control materials are chosen and applied according to labeling directions per Federal law.

To limit the potential pesticide exposure, the district follows safety regulations to ensure pesticides are applied properly. All pesticide products, which are used in and around school buildings, are required to be registered with the Minnesota Department of Agriculture and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. In addition, school employees and certified and licensed applicators are required by state and federal law to comply with all requirements of the pesticide label, including building sites, application rates, re-entry intervals, posting, use of personal protective equipment, use restrictions, and disposal on the product label. An estimated schedule of pesticide applications is available for review or copying at the district office.

To be notified about pesticide applications or the management plan, please contact the Building and Grounds Director at [jkwira@pierzschoools.org](mailto:jkwira@pierzschoools.org), (320) 468-6458 ext, 1107.

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## **AHERA Annual Asbestos Notification**

During the past school year and continuing into the current school year the following asbestos management plan activities have been or are currently being completed, pursuant to the Environmental Protection Agency 40 CFR Part 763- "Asbestos Containing Materials in Schools; Final Rule and Notice."

### **ACTIVITIES SCHEDULED**

- Periodic surveillance
- Asbestos Repairs
- Notification of Asbestos Locations for Short-Term Workers (Electricians, Plumbers, etc.)
- Training of District Personnel
- Abatement activities at the High School.

Pierz Public Schools has contracted through the Institute for Environmental Assessment (IEA) to provide Environmental, Health and Safety consulting services, including being involved in the above listed activities.

The complete updated Asbestos management plan can be found in the District Office.

Any questions concerning this notice or an explanation of our Asbestos Management Plan can be directed to the Building and Grounds Director at [jkwira@pierzschoools.org](mailto:jkwira@pierzschoools.org), (320) 468-6458 ext, 1107.

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## **Indoor Air Quality Annual Notification**

Pierz Public Schools has an Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) management plan. The management plan outlines specific policies and procedures that will be used in the district to address indoor air quality issues. IEA, the District's health and safety consultant completes annual IAQ assessments within the school to ensure proper air quality.

Any questions concerning this notice or an explanation of our IAQ Management Plan can be directed to the Building and Grounds Director at [jkwira@pierzschoools.org](mailto:jkwira@pierzschoools.org), (320) 468-6458 ext, 1107.

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## **Lead-in-Water Annual Notification**

Minnesota Statute 121A.335 requires public school buildings serving prekindergarten through grade 12 to test for lead in water every 5 years. Pierz Public Schools has historically conducted and continues to conduct Lead in Drinking Water testing per the Minnesota Department of Health guidelines.

For more information on the Pierz Public Schools lead reduction program and testing results, please contact the Building and Grounds Director at [jkwira@pierzschoools.org](mailto:jkwira@pierzschoools.org), (320) 468-6458 ext, 1107.