



San Mateo-Foster City School District

January 5, 2010

Dear Parent/Guardian:

The Healthy Schools Act requires that all schools provide parents or guardians of students with annual written notification of expected pesticide use on school sites. The notification will identify the active ingredient or ingredients in each pesticide product and will include an Internet address (<http://www.cdpr.ca.gov>) for further information on pesticides.

The School District wants all parents and staff to know that pesticides and herbicides are used in a safe and responsible manner. Our first concern is always the health and safety of students, staff, and school visitors. We use both herbicides and insecticides, all of which have been approved for use in schools and public places when properly applied. In most instances, except where our attention is required immediately, applications are done when staff and children are not on site.

The District contracts with fully licensed and certified pest control professionals for the application of Termidor SC, which is an insecticide used for the eradication of insects, and Glyphosate 4, Prokov, and Dimension to eradicate weeds.

Parents or guardians may request prior notification of individual pesticide or herbicide applications at a school site. **If you would like to be notified every time we apply a pesticide or herbicide, please go to your child's school and ask to be put on the notification roster.** The school secretary will ask you to sign the notification roster indicating you want to be notified.

This year, the School District will be continuing the weed eradication program, using herbicides, in February and July 2010. We will also be exterminating, as needed, throughout the school year.

If you wish to be notified prior to these applications and other future applications, please register at your child's school by February 5, 2010.

Sincerely,

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