



# Notification: Your Right to Know

The Healthy Schools Act requires your school to post signs on any area treated with pesticides—both inside the building and on school grounds. The signs must be posted 24 hours in advance of treatment and remain for 72 hours afterwards. The school is required to include information about the pesticide used, the reason for use, parameters of the treated area, and how to find out more information. *If you witness a pesticide application at your school without adequate posting, contact your school principal to report it. Contact the Healthy Schools Campaign at 888-CPR-4880, if you need more help.*

### Sample Pesticide Use Application Sign

Use either the name or active ingredient to find out more information:

Find out about possible health effects from the Hazards of Common Pesticides factsheet in this Kit.

For additional information on these and other pesticides, log on to [www.pesticideinfo.org](http://www.pesticideinfo.org).

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| <b>WARNING</b>  |  |
| <b>PESTICIDE-TREATED AREA</b>   |  |
| <b>ADVERTENCIA</b>  |  |
| <b>AREA TRATADA CON PESTICIDA</b>                                     |  |
| <b>NAME OF PESTICIDE</b>  | <b>NOMBRE DEL PESTICIDA</b>  |
| 1   | 1  |
| 2   | 2  |
| 3   | 3  |
| 4   | 4  |
| <b>MANUFACTURER'S NAME; USEPA REG. No.</b>                            |  |
| <b>NOMBRE DEL FABRICANTE; No. DE REGISTRO DE USEPA</b>                |  |
| 1   | 1  |
| 2   | 2  |
| 3   | 3  |
| 4   | 4  |
| <b>INTENDED APPLICATION DATE</b>                                      |  |
| <b>FECHA PROPUESTA DE APLICACION</b>                                  |  |
| <input type="text"/>  |  |
| <b>APPLICATION DATE</b>   |  |
| <b>FECHA DE APLICACION</b>  |  |
| <input type="text"/>  |  |
| <b>TREATED AREAS; REASON FOR TREATMENT</b>                            |  |
| <b>AREAS TRATADAS; RAZON DE APLICACION</b>                            |  |
| <input type="text"/>  |  |
| <b>School Name:</b>   | <b>Nombre de la Escuela:</b>   |
| <input type="text"/>  |  |
| <b>ALWAYS BE SAFE</b>   |  |
| 1. If you need more information ask:<br>Name:<br>Title:               | 1. Si necessita más información pregunte<br>Nombre:<br>Título:           |
| 2. Do not play on treated area.                                       | 2. No juegue en el área tratada.   |
| 3. Wash your hands and exposed skin<br>If you touch the treated area. | 3. Lávese las manos y la piel expuesta si<br>Usted toca el area tratada. |
| <i>For recordkeeping only, per Education Code requirement</i>         |  |
| Amount of Pesticide Used:<br><input type="text"/>                     |  |

**Your school district is required to notify you about intended pesticide use at the beginning of each school year, starting in the 2001–02 school year.** If you did not receive a notice similar to the sample below, contact your school principal, call Nita Davidson at the Department of Pesticide Regulation (916-324-4100) and the Healthy Schools Campaign (888-CPR-4880), if you need more help. The notes below explain the content of the notice and provide tips on how to use notice information to protect your children’s health.

**Sample Annual Notification of Planned Pesticide Use**

**Brand name of pesticide product.**

Use either the name or active ingredient to find out more information.

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For additional information on these and other pesticides, log on to [www.pesticideinfo.org](http://www.pesticideinfo.org).

Dear Parent or Guardian,  
The Healthy Schools Act of 2000 requires all California school districts to notify parents and guardians of pesticides they expect to apply during the year. We intend to use the following pesticides in your school this year:

| Name of Pesticide          | Active Ingredient(s)            |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Roundup Concentrate        | Glyphosate, isopropylamine salt |
| Dursban                    | Chlorpyrifos oxygen analog      |
| Raid Ant & Roach Killer 13 | Tetramethrin, Cypermethrin      |
|                            |                                 |

You can find out more information regarding these pesticides and pesticide use reduction at the Department of Pesticide Regulation’s website at <http://www.cdpr.ca.gov>. If you have any questions, please contact YOUR SCHOOL OFFICIAL at PHONE NUMBER.

**Active chemical ingredient that makes the pesticide “work.”** The active ingredient is usually only a small part of the product. There are often many other unidentified “inert” ingredients included that can also cause health effects. Log on to [www.pesticideinfo.org](http://www.pesticideinfo.org) for more information.

**Let your school officials know that you don’t want toxic pesticides used in your children’s school.** Call and tell them that you want them to adopt and implement least-toxic pest control immediately. Consult the “Ten Steps to a Healthy School” factsheet in this Pesticide Action Kit for more information.

**Sample Request for Individual Pesticide Application Notification**

I understand that, upon request, the school district is required to supply information about individual pesticide applications at least 72 hours before application. I would like to be notified before each pesticide application at this school.

I prefer to be contacted by (circle one): U.S. Mail    Email    Phone

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Day Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Return to [School Contact Name, Address]

**Your school must offer the option to register to be notified every time it plans to use a pesticide.** Enlist and join with other parents in calling the listed district official to register. Given large registration numbers, your district may decide it is easier to notify all parents every time than maintain a registry—or simply to use fewer pesticides!

For more information on school pest control that protects children’s health, contact the Healthy Schools Campaign at 888-CPR-4880 or <http://www.calhealthyschools.org>.