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**Annual Notification of Pesticide Application**

Dear Parent or Guardian:

State of Michigan law requires that schools and daycare centers that may apply pesticides on school or daycare property must provide annual notification to parents or guardians of students attending the facility.

Please be advised the Memphis Community Schools/daycare center utilizes an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) approach to control pests. IPM is a pest management system that utilizes all suitable techniques in a total pest management system with the intent of preventing pests from reaching unacceptable levels or to reduce an existing population to an acceptable level. Pest management techniques emphasize sanitation, pest exclusion, and biological controls. One of the objectives of using an IPM approach is to reduce or eliminate the need for chemical applications of pesticides. However, certain situations may require the need for pesticides to be utilized.

As required by State of Michigan Law, the school or daycare will provide advance notice regarding the non-emergency application of a pesticide such as an insecticide, fungicide or herbicide, other than a bait or gel formulation, that is made to the school or daycare buildings or grounds. Advance notice will be provided, even during periods when not in session.

Advance notice is not given for the use of sanitizers, germicides, disinfectants, or anti-microbial cleaners. In certain emergencies, such as an infestation of stinging insects, pesticides may be applied without advance notice to prevent injury to students, but the school or daycare will provide notice following any such application. Advance notice of pesticide applications (minimum of 48 hours), other than a bait or gel formulation, will be given by at least 2 methods. The first method will be by posting at the main entrances to the school's/daycare centers and at central office, which are located 34110 Bordman Rd, 34130 Bordman Rd, and 34165 Bordman Rd. The second method will be made by e-mail and text message through the School Messenger system. A third method that we will also utilize is posting on the District website main page.

Please be advised that parents or guardians of children attending the school or daycare center are entitled to receive the advance notice of a pesticide application, other than a bait or gel formulation, by first class United States mail postmarked at least 3 days prior to the pesticide application, if they so request. If you prefer to receive the notification by first class mail, please contact your child(s) school office for a copy of the form. Please be advised that parents or guardians of children attending the school or daycare center may review the school's Integrated Pest Management program and records of any pesticide application upon request. If you have any questions regarding the districts pest management procedures, please contact:

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