

Child Care Center Integrated Pest Management Plan

When completed, this template meets the Healthy Schools Act requirement for an integrated pest management (IPM) plan. An IPM plan is required if a child care center uses pesticides¹.

Contacts

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Child Care Center Name _____ Address _____

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Center IPM Coordinator _____ IPM Coordinator's Phone Number _____ Email Address _____

IPM statement

It is the goal of L.S.O.T.W. to implement IPM by focusing on long-term prevention or suppression of pests through accurate pest identification, by frequent monitoring for pest presence, by applying appropriate action levels, and by making the habitat less conducive to pests using sanitation and mechanical and physical controls. Pesticides that are effective will be used in a manner that minimizes risks to people, property, and the environment, and only after other options have been shown ineffective.

Our pest management objectives are to:

Check the campus for long-term pest prevention.

IPM team

In addition to the IPM Coordinator, other individuals who are involved in purchasing, making IPM decisions, applying pesticides, and complying with the Healthy Schools Act requirements, include:

Name and/or Title	Role in IPM program
Joanna Garcia, School Director	Prevention and purchasing or hiring outside pest company, if needed
Roberta Bustamante, Assistant Director / IPM Coordinator	IPM Scheduling of training & verification, IPM Coordination & HSA compliance
Sandy Beukelman	Purchase-ordering of Pesticide, spraying natural deterrents weekly

Pest management contracting

- Pest management services may be contracted to licensed pest control business.
Pest Control Business name(s): Admiral Pest Control, O.C. 714-750-2426
- Prior to entering into a contract, the child care center has confirmed that the pest control business understands the training requirement and other requirements of the Healthy Schools Act. *(We had done business with Admiral Pest Control since Feb. 2000.)*

Pest identification, monitoring and inspection

Pest Identification is done by: Daycare center administration personnel or Admiral Pest Control, if needed

Monitoring and inspecting for pests and conditions that lead to pest problems are done regularly by Daycare center administration personnel and results are communicated to the IPM Coordinator.

Specific information about monitoring and inspecting for pests, such as locations, times, or techniques include:

Inside: Food stored in sealed containers. Classroom trash stored in cans with lids. Campus patrolled daily for pests, as well as brush, debris, trash, cardboard boxes, etc.

Pests and non-chemical management practices

This childcare center has identified the following pests and routinely uses the following non-chemical practices to prevent pests from reaching the action level:

Pest	Remove food	Fix leaks	Seal cracks	Install barriers	Physical removal	Traps	Manage irrigation	Other
Spiders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
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Chemical pest management practices

If non-chemical methods are ineffective, the childcare center will consider pesticides only after careful monitoring indicates that they are needed according to pre-established action levels and will use pesticides that pose the least possible hazard and are effective in a manner that minimizes risks to people, property and the environment.

This childcare center may use the following pesticides (pesticide products and active ingredients) to be applied during the year. (This list includes pesticides that will be applied by childcare center staff or licensed pest control businesses.):

1. Natural spider deterrents:
 - a. Peppermint oil, or
 - b. **Mighty Mint Spider Repellent**, Active ingredient: Peppermint Oil, Geraniol
Inert ingredients: Water, Glycerin, Polyglycerol Oleate, Soap
2. If needed: **Ortho Home Defense**, Active ingredients Bifenthrin 0.05%, Zeta-Cypermethrin 0.01%

Healthy Schools Act

- This childcare center complies with the notification, posting, recordkeeping, and all other requirements of the Healthy Schools Act. (Education Code Sections 17608 - 17613, 48980.3; Food & Agricultural Code Sections 13180 - 13188)

Training

Every year childcare center employees who make pesticide applications receive the following training prior to pesticide use:

- Pesticide specific safety training (Title 3 California Code of Regulations 6724)
- School IPM training course approved by the Department of Pesticide Regulation (Education Code Section 16714; Food & Agricultural Code Section 13186.5).

Submittal of pesticide use reports

- Reports of all pesticides applied by center staff during the calendar year, except pesticides exempt¹ from HSA recordkeeping, are submitted to the Department of Pesticide Regulation at least annually, by January 30 of the following year, using the form provided at www.cdpr.ca.gov/schoolipm. (Education Code Section 16711)

Notification

This child care center has made this IPM plan publicly available by the following methods (check at least one):

- This IPM plan can be found online at the following web address: www.littleschoolofthewest.com
- Request for Individual Pesticide Application Notification is sent out to all parents, guardians and staff annually.

Review

- This IPM plan will be reviewed (and revised, if needed) at least annually to ensure that the information provided is still true and correct.

Date of next review: 6/13/25

I acknowledge that I have reviewed this child care center's IPM Plan and it is true and correct.

Signature: Roberta Bustamante

Date: 6/13/24

¹ These pesticides are exempt from all Healthy Schools Act requirements, except the training requirement: 1) products used in self-contained baits or traps, 2) gels or pastes used as crack and crevice treatments, 3) antimicrobials, and 4) pesticides exempt from U.S. EPA registration. (Education Code Section 17610.5)

Dear Parent or Guardian,

The Healthy Schools Act of 2000 requires that all child care centers provide parents or guardians of students with annual written notification of expected pesticide use at the center. The notification will identify the active ingredient or ingredients in each pesticide product and will include the Internet address (<http://www.cdpr.ca.gov>) for further information on pesticides and their alternatives.

Parents or guardians may request prior notification of individual pesticide applications at the center. People listed on this registry will be notified at least 72 hours before pesticides are applied. If you would like to be notified every time we apply a pesticide, please complete and return the form below to the school office or mail it to:

Little School of the West
5471 Cerritos Ave.
Cypress, CA 90630

If you have any questions, please contact

Roberta Bustamante
I.P.M. Coordinator
714-828-1484

Sincerely,

Little School of the West office

Request for Individual Pesticide Application Notification

I understand that, upon request, the childcare center 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 center. (I understand natural spider deterrents, such as *Peppermint oil* or *Mighty Mint Spider Repellent*, will continue to be sprayed each week & do not require notification.)

*Notification will be a sent via Procare messaging.

Please print neatly:

Student's Name: _____

Name of Parent(s)/Guardian(s): _____ Date: _____

Return to:

Little School of the West office