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## Dear CUSD Staff and Parents:

On September 27, 2000, Governor Gray Davis signed AB 2260, the Healthy Schools Act, which encourages School Districts to act responsibly in applying pesticides and to consider alternative methods, beside pesticides, in controlling routine pests such as weeks and insects.

One of the requirements of the Healthy Schools Act is that all School Districts must annually provide to all parents, guardians, and staff members, a list of all anticipated pesticides to be applied for the year. You will find the most current list on the M&O web page.

http://www.chicousd.org/Departments/Maintenance--Operations/Pest-Management/index.html

Also, in accordance with AB 2260, every recipient of this letter is allowed to register with the Chico Unified School District, in order to receive notification of any pesticide application at your school/work site 72 hours prior to the application.

If you would like to register with the Chico Unified School District, you can obtain a registration form from your School Office Manager or on the above web site. Just complete and return it to:

Director, Maintenance & Operations Chico Unified School District 2455 Carmichael Drive Chico, CA 95928

You may also drop your registration, in person, at the Maintenance & Operations office, between the hours of 7am-4pm Monday through Friday.

The Chico Unified School District conforms to the principals of integrated pest management, which includes the suppression and control of pests through cultural, prevention, exclusion and sanitation measures while only utilizing pesticides in an extremely minimal and safe manner.

For more information on pesticides, check the website of the California Department of Pesticide Regulation: http://cdpr.ca.gov

Even if you do not intend to register for notification of pesticide application, you are invited at anytime to look at the records maintained on the web site or at the Maintenance & Operations Office. In compliance with the Healthy Schools Act, this information is available to the public and the records for each pesticide application must be kept for four years.

AB 2260 also requires that we post a "warning" sign 24 hours prior to a pesticide application and that this sign remain posted for 72 hours after the application. The sign will be visibly displayed in the area of the pesticide treatment.

The Chico Unified School District is confident that we are doing everything possible to control pests in a safe and effective manner, while avoiding any health risks to our students, staff and visitors.

Sincerely,

Maintenance & Operations Department Chico Unified School District