



## SUNSET RIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT 29

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*Cultivating a learning community that engages the hearts and minds of students, one child at a time*

### **Sunset Ridge School District 29 Integrated Pest and Lawn Care Management Program**

Sunset Ridge School District 29 practices Integrated Pest and Lawn Care Management, a program that combines preventive techniques, non-chemical pest control methods, and the appropriate use of pesticides with a preference for products that are the least harmful to human health and the environment. The term “pesticide” includes insecticides, herbicides, rodenticides, and fungicides.

Notification for applications of pesticides on school grounds other than school structures is the responsibility of the Director of Buildings & Grounds.

#### **Pesticide Application on Lawns and Fields**

As prescribed in the Illinois Lawn Care Products Application and Notice Act, the Director of Buildings and Grounds shall notify students and their parents/guardians and employees in the District at least 4 business days before a pesticide application on school grounds. The notification shall: (1) be written and may be included in newsletters, bulletins, calendars, or other correspondence currently being published, (2) identify the intended date of the application, and (3) state the name and telephone contact number for the school personnel responsible for the pesticide program. An exception to this notification is permitted if there is an imminent threat to health or property, in which case the Structural Pest Control Act (225 ILCS 235/10.3) or the Lawn Care Products Application and Notice Act (415 ILCS 65/3), whichever is applicable, shall control.

Notification of lawn treatment applications will be posted at the beginning of every month during the growing season on the **Buildings & Grounds** page of the District website. The purpose of the application (fertilizer, weed, and grub treatment), along with the intended date and rain date will be listed. In addition, a reminder will be placed in the weekly newsletter to parents, guardians and staff for the week prior to application.

Parents, guardians, staff and community members may request in writing each year that School District 29 notify them prior to any applications of lawn treatment if the above method of notification is not suitable or available. Please include your name, address, and telephone number or e-mail address with your written request, and indicate your preference of notification method (mail, phone, or e-mail). Individual notifications will be made at the time that the general notification is posted.

Please send your request each year to:

Sunset Ridge School District 29

Attention: Director of Buildings & Grounds

525 Sunset Ridge Road

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