Monroe 2-Orleans BOCES Policy
Series 4000 – Non-Instructional/Business Operations
Policy #4539 – PEST MANAGEMENT AND PESTICIDE USE

The Board is committed to maintaining the integrity of school buildings and grounds while protecting the health and safety of students and staff and maintaining a productive learning environment.

Structural and landscape pests can pose significant problems for people and property. Weeds and infestations can destroy playing fields and playgrounds and more importantly, cause severe allergic reactions. Pesticides can pose risks to people, property, and the environment. It is therefore the policy of the Board to direct the District Superintendent to create a regulation for an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) procedure for control of weeds, structural and landscape pests. The objective of this program is to provide necessary pest control while using the least toxic approach to all pests, weeds and infestations.

Pest/Pesticide Management Plan

The BOCES will manage weeds and pests to:

a) Reduce any potential human health hazard or threat to public safety.
b) Prevent loss or damage to school structures or property.
c) Prevent pests from spreading into the community, or to plant and animal populations beyond the site.
d) Enhance the quality of life for students, staff, and others.

Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Coordinator

An IPM coordinator will be appointed by the District Superintendent annually. The Coordinator will be responsible for implementing the IPM procedure.

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