## **INTERGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT**

The North Merrick Board of Education recognizes that nothing is of more importance than the safety of the students, staff and residents who utilize the facilities and grounds of the school district. To this end the North Merrick Board of Education authorizes the prudent and limited use of pesticides and insecticides necessary to ensure environmentally safe buildings and grounds.

The district shall implement an integrated pest management program to include the following:

- a) Use the least toxic pesticide available.
- b) Post notices before pesticides are applied.
- c) Post warning signs indicating that pesticides will be applied around specific areas.
- d) Use only New York State Certified pesticide applicators.
- e) Maintain detailed records about pesticides which have been applied.
- f) Prohibit the use of pesticides for aesthetic purposes, such as lawn care that contain known or probable carcinogens.
- g) Follow the district's Project Save Hazardous Materials Emergency Response in the event of a spill or an over-application of pesticides or insecticides.

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