Policy Regarding Pesticide Application on School Property

It is the policy of the Shelton Board of Education to implement an integrated pest management plan that uses available pest control techniques to reduce the amounts of pesticides applied in any building, or the grounds of any Shelton public school by using alternative methods of pest control, that may include structural maintenance, proper sanitation practices, appropriate solid waste management and alternative mechanical or biological control, along with pesticides.

The decision to apply pesticide in any building, or the grounds of any Shelton public school is dependent on results of periodic monitoring for pest populations to determine if a pest problem exists that exceeds acceptable threshold levels.

No application of pesticide shall be made in any building, or the grounds of any Shelton public school during regular school hours or during planned activities at any school except as provided by Connecticut statute or regulation.

Parents or guardians of children in any school and/or staff members in any school may register for prior notice of pesticide application at their school. Each school shall maintain a registry of persons requesting such notice, and shall provide notice to registered individuals in accordance with applicable Connecticut statutory and regulatory provisions.

The Board may make an emergency application of pesticide without prior notice to parents or guardians of children in any school and/or staff members in the event of an immediate threat to human health, subject to the notice provisions of applicable Connecticut statutory and regulatory provisions.

Legal References: Conn. Gen. Stat. 20-231a
Conn. Gen. Stat. 10-231d