



# Wiseburn Unified School District

The California Healthy Schools Act requires the Department of Pesticide Regulation to promote and facilitate the voluntary adoption of IPM programs by schools. The agency is required to: establish a model IPM program consistent with the law's IPM definition; develop an IPM program guidebook; maintain an internet web site with IPM and pesticide information; and establish an IPM training program. The law also requires the Department to collect from pesticide applicators records of pesticide use in schools. California education and environmental protection laws require that IPM be included in the state's environmental education curricula and principles.

As part of the IPM training, all volunteers or contractors working at a school site need to complete the IPM training. To start the process, please register as a volunteer or contractor with the links below:

Contractors: <http://ipm.wiseburn.org/Register/Contractor>

Volunteers: <http://ipm.wiseburn.org/Register/Volunteer>

Access Code: CAB5309\_001

After you've signed up through the website, you will get instructions on how to complete the training and upload your Certificate of Completion onto the IPM Codex system. **You will also need to provide a copy of the certificate of completion to the school site.**

## IPM DEFINITIONS

Following are IPM definitions included in the laws and regulations summarized above only. IPM definitions that may appear in other state laws and regulations are not listed here.

**California.** Ca. Food & Agric. Code § 13181: "Notwithstanding any other provision of law, for purposes of this article, 'integrated pest management' means a pest management strategy that focuses on long-term prevention or suppression of pest problems through a combination of techniques such as monitoring for pest presence and establishing treatment threshold levels, using nonchemical practices to make the habitat less conducive to pest development, improving sanitation, and employing mechanical and physical controls. Pesticides that pose the least possible hazard and are effective in a manner that minimizes risks to people, property, and the environment, are used only after careful monitoring indicates they are needed according to pre-established guidelines and treatment thresholds. This definition shall apply only to integrated pest management at school facilities and child day care facilities."