

Hello school and child care IPMers,

A March monthly update for the Arizona Children's Environmental Health Coalition is as follows:

✚ Regarding the **pesticide notification form** sent out in the February monthly update (also attached here): we received some good feedback and want to first assure you all that this notification form is **NOT REQUIRED** by the state Structural Pest Control Commission or any other state law. For some contracting with a pest management company (PMC) for services, this information may be regarded as redundant with information included on the service ticket issued by your PMC. For others, particularly those with in-house pest management programs, this form may be a useful tool. It can be used to satisfy state posting requirements for both pre-notification to schools and post-emergency applications. We encourage folks to use this if it serves the needs of their program.

✚ **IT'S BEE TIME!** Bees may be seen with increased frequency around this time. Share information on Africanized honeybee "do's and don'ts" with school staff. You can find it in the archived April 2005 Pest Press newsletter, bee poster, and bee memo located at <http://ag.arizona.edu/urbanipm/schoolipm/newsletters/index.html>. As always, we freely encourage modification of the information to suit your needs.

✚ **Maximize your time for IPM networking...** We have created a list of school IPM Specialists for each district in the ACE Health Coalition, including willing members from the pest management industry and national IPM experts/implementers. If you are not on this list and would like to be, let us know! The contact list may be helpful to many of you who network with one another when dealing with new or unusual pest problems (or for helpful information from someone who's learned the hard way – particularly where significant time and money are involved!). PLEASE CHECK YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION ON THE LIST FOR ACCURACY. "SPECIALTY" AREAS MAY BE BLANK OR GUESSED AT ON OUR PART – PLEASE LET US KNOW WHAT YOU'D LIKE TO HAVE LISTED SO WE CAN UPDATE THE LIST. INCLUDE IPM OR PEST ISSUES YOU'VE BEEN THROUGH THE RINGER WITH AND HAVE AN OPINION ABOUT BEST PRACTICES AND PRODUCTS FOR.

Please contact us with any questions... Thanks all!

~Dawn & Jennifer

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