**Grounds**

* 44% answering are custodians, 752% IPM coordinators, 64% facility managers, 32% maintenance staff.
* 84% feel confident they know enough about IPM
* 92% would like to know more
* 80% think IPM training/certification is necessary, 16% did not.
* Training is necessary because:
  + I believe this training is a central component to a successful control program.
  + Knowledge of law is required to execute
  + I would like to better understand the IPM
  + Absolute WASTE of time. If going through all this training like I had to do already doesn't give me the authority to put out ant cups or other similar benefits then DON'T WASTE MY TIME!!!!!
  + Wouldn't hurt
  + Facilities directors come from many back grounds of knowledge ie. Electricians, plumbers, custodians, landscapers. but very few have any training in IPM. and relay on outside companies to do the work for them, myself included. I think a one day brief training on record keeping, and general over view of IPM is needed. this is more or lest our part of IPM as coordinators. to over see that thing are done right, not to do the applying of product.
  + In dealing with school grounds the more we know about IPM training/certification the better we can serve our clients.
  + I don't think it's strictly "necessary," but I think it would be a good idea and worth the time to do it.
  + It helps to have eyes on what's happening about the campus to get a historical picture of the issues, occurrences and impact. Training key staff members to be vigilant for pest signs is important.
  + IPM Coordinator for school should be able to train any custodians who assist on grounds.
  + IPM is our first and foremost way of controlling a pest. We have to educate our customers on a daily basis that if we can do several usually very simple things we can control problems before the use of our products. Understanding the factors that are conducive to problems and correcting them goes a long way producing a good product such as turf for sports field.
* 68% thought the training material was complete:
  + Lack of understanding by the District on what it takes to meet the requirements
  + Without a background in pest management I can't say how complete your syllabus is, but it certainly looks comprehensive.
  + no metrial to review
  + Generally, yes, it's complete - a final version of a handbook for Texas IPM should have all the plants and pests that would be typically seen in Texas Schools.
  + What material? If it is the material we have access to through IPM training, it is very complete. If it is the material attached to this, it is very complete
* 40% thought there were no elements missing from the roles and responsibilities:
  + Place an emphasis on utilizing proper pruning techniques in order to optimize the health and safety of trees.
  + May be an unknown – unknown
  + log entry for non contracted personnel
  + I think in the athletic field side needs to be split between cool and warm season grasses. Different techinques are used for the two different grasses.
  + District understanding of the requirements
  + Money to pay for the time wasted on participating.
  + OMRI Products
  + I have not seen the Job Description, so cannot comment.
  + The material covers "rules and regulations of pesticide application and applicator safety including Federal rules and District policies," but doesn't appear to cover state rules. Information regarding Minnesota's Parents Right to Know act and potentially other state-specific issues would seem to be appropriate.
  + I think it is quite thorough.
  + same as above
  + See above
* 52% couldn’t identify any missing elements
  + Schools with multiple sites should have an IPM trained
  + There should be two types of "certification" Applicators and NON Applicators
  + # 7,8,10,
  + I have not seen the Job Description, so cannot comment.
  + same as above
  + School IPM Coordinator should share info with front-line employees.
* 16% felt that some elements were not necessary
  + it is all about safety
  + Most of all the training is irrelevant. Training could take three sentences and last all of 30 seconds. Get out of the way and let me do my job.
  + # 28
  + # 4 is vague
* Which elements are the most important:
  + pest prevention
  + Preventative, documentation, training.
  + #28 #25 #2
  + Chemical safety knowledge User safety knowledge Reporting knowledge
  + pesticide application
  + Unless you have a master applicators license you can't apply pesticides or herbicides. You may use mouse traps. You must document findings.
  + Rules and regulation - Federal and district Stressing cultural management - organic options Keeping mulch away from foundations
  + Pest treatment Fertilizers Mitigation
  + #2,3,16
  + pesticide risk reduction Cultural turf management concepts explaining the benefits of IPM
  + environmental risk health risk economics risk
  + Identifying the pest or pest signs. Elements that promote pesticide reduction. Describe the principals behind sustainable landscapes.
  + Health and environmental risks.
  + all roles are important if you overlook one could lead to another problem.
  + Laws/Regs., Pest identification w/knowledge of life cycle & habitats, control measures.
  + education, training, seminars
  + no material to chose from
  + IPM Basic Principles Plants Pests
  + #8, #9, #14
* Least important:
  + Paperwork
  + None
  + No.
  + Not sure at this time
  + Anything outside of number 9.
  + It all looks good More emphasis should be on regional issues. Too often the information that is available is of little use, like studies in Texas don't do a lot of good to folks in the northern tier states.
  + Landscaping Data Collection ?? - Rest is important can only ID 2 least important
  + Discard 28
  + nothing to discard
  + none
  + I can't really find any elements that are the least important. All of the elements appear to be very important in providing a good program
  + Most facility managers know a bit more about turf management than about bug and rodent infestations in buildings. The approach to dealing with issues inside the buildings is generally to call a vendor, whereas facility managers deal with turf in-house. I would definitely not discard any components, however.
  + there is no least important in my opinion all the roles are there for a reason.
  + to me all are important to implement an effective IPM program.
  + all are important
  + same as above
  + none
  + #1 #2 #5