

PIEDMONT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

RESOLUTION 21-2018-19

**PROHIBITING ANY DISTRICT PURCHASE OR USE OF
HERBICIDE PRODUCTS CONTAINING THE CHEMICAL
GLYPHOSATE**

WHEREAS, Piedmont Unified School District ("District") Administrative Regulation 3514.2 formally adopts as part of the District's Integrated Pest Management Plan a least toxic pest management policy ("Least Toxic Pest Management"), which Policy requires District personnel and contractors to restrict use of pesticides to necessary uses set forth in pre-established guidelines and thresholds; to select nonchemical pest management methods over chemical methods whenever such methods are effective in providing the desired pest control; to prefer chemicals that pose the least hazard to people and the environment where it is determined chemical methods must be used; to consider "alternative treatments" for pest control including physical, horticultural, and biological methods; and to limit pesticide purchases to amounts needed for the year.

WHEREAS, As of July 2017, the California Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment ("OEHHA") added glyphosate to its official list of chemicals known to cause cancer or reproductive toxicity under the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986, pursuant to the agency's legal obligations to annually update the list under California Health and Safety Code section 25249.8.

WHEREAS, As of March 2018, the California Environmental Protection Agency has officially advised California residents to limit any child's contact with surfaces that have been recently treated with glyphosate herbicides.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, In furtherance of existing Board policies, absent any applicable federal, state, local law or regulation, local ordinance, or court decision that may lawfully provide otherwise, Piedmont Unified School District's Board of Education hereby directs the Integrated Pest Management ("IPM") Coordinator to effectuate the District's Board Policy and Administrative Regulation concerning "Hazardous Substances" as follows:

1. Effective as of the 2019-2020 District school year, IPM Coordinator shall ensure the District ceases all purchase and use of any herbicide product that contains glyphosate as one of its ingredients, in any amount or level.

2. The IPM Coordinator shall inform all outside contractors and their employees to abide by the same restriction on campus grounds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the IPM Coordinator shall ensure all relevant District personnel are adequately trained on how to implement this Resolution;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the IPM Coordinator shall ensure parents/guardians will receive notification of this Resolution to fully inform students and their families of their rights in the District, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the IPM Coordinator shall distribute copies of this Resolution to all school sites.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Education of Piedmont Unified School District, Alameda County, State of California, on June 12, 2019, by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

RANDALL BOOKER
Secretary to the Board of Education
Piedmont Unified School District
County of Alameda, State of California