

## **PHOTO CONTEST INFORMATION & RULES**

### **Integrated Pest Management School Recordkeeping Calendar 2018-2019**

The California Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) is announcing the second school maintenance and operations (M&O) staff photo contest for the Integrated Pest Management School Recordkeeping Calendar.

All school M&O staff are invited to showcase their pest management work with other schools throughout California by submitting photos and quotes for the contest. Quotes submitted should be original quotes, describing your work, telling a story, or showing what motivates you when preventing and managing pests.

Contest winners will receive the honor of having their photo and/or quote featured in the 2018-2019 calendar! This contest helps DPR provide schools with a calendar that's useful for pest monitoring and recordkeeping, has management tips and informative images, and shows a view into what M&O staff around the state are accomplishing.

#### **Eligibility**

- ◆ California public school staff member working in maintenance or operations position and school staff pest management helpers, who help prevent pests by using good sanitation and storage practices.

#### **Photo Themes & Examples**

- ◆ Pest Prevention & Solutions –
  - Prevent access using door sweeps, caulking & protective plate around pipes
  - Eliminate food, water & shelter
  - AC leak repair, crawl space under portables blocked, bug zappers
  - Dumpster area clean & tight lid, covered garbage cans in eating areas
  - Gopher trapping, fly swatter, pigeons blocked on ledges
  - Show us creative solutions you invented to prevent pests
- ◆ Monitoring Pests –
  - Trap monitoring of sticky insect traps, insect pheromone & rodent traps
  - Monitoring log, clipboard & weekly inspections
  - Identifying pests using UC IPM pest guidelines or field guides
  - School grounds walkabout inspecting for pests
- ◆ Pests & Pest Damage –
  - Rats, mice, gophers, ground squirrels & pigeons
  - Weeds, ants, cockroaches & wasps
  - Rat smudge marks & rodent gnaw marks
  - Gopher holes & burrow mounds, rodent & wasps nests
- ◆ Natural Predators & Beneficials –
  - Beneficial spiders & insects, lady bugs, lacewings & other beneficial insects
  - Owls & owl nest boxes
  - Hawks & hawk perches

More examples of effective pest management are located at -  
<http://ipm.ucanr.edu/>  
<http://apps.cdpr.ca.gov/schoolipm/>

### **Photo Specifications**

- ◆ Landscape layout only (longer on horizontal side)
- ◆ All entries must be in color
- ◆ Minimum resolution 2550 x 3300 pixels
- ◆ Up to 5 photos per person may be submitted. Multiple entries per school site are welcomed

### **Quotes**

- ◆ Themes - What motivates you to get your work done well?
- ◆ Quotes must be original.
- ◆ Your quotes can be your work motto or tell a story.

### **Judging Criteria**

- ◆ One of the themes listed above is addressed
- ◆ Good quality, visual clarity & high resolution photo
- ◆ Photo taken at a school site
- ◆ No children in the photos
- ◆ Original image (no copyrighted images)
- ◆ **No name brands shown**
- ◆ Release form must be completed (photos become the property of DPR and may be reproduced)

### **Submission Deadline**

- ◆ Photos and quotes must be submitted to DPR by emailing [Melissa.Plemons@cdpr.ca.gov](mailto:Melissa.Plemons@cdpr.ca.gov) no later than August 30, 2017

### **Awards**

- ◆ Contest winners receive the honor of having their photo featured in the calendar.
- ◆ Contest participants may have their entries included in the following year contest.
- ◆ Contest winners will be notified by email in December 2017.



# INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT 2018-2019 SCHOOL RECORDKEEPING CALENDAR

## PHOTO CONTEST ~ SUBMISSION FORM

Name \_\_\_\_\_

School District \_\_\_\_\_

Job Title \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Photos submitted (title or describe theme) examples; pest damage before and after, monitoring methods, good sanitation practices, pests on campus

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Quote(s) – must be original

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~ PHOTO CONTEST RELEASE FORM ~

Photo contestants agree to the following.

1. I have taken and own the photographs I am submitting.
2. Give DPR the rights to reproduce the photographs in the IPM School Recordkeeping Calendar, on the DPR internet website, and on social media sites.
3. Photos become the property of DPR and may be reproduced.
4. Persons and buildings featured in the photographs were represented by permission.
5. DPR will not be held liable for the photograph, once it is published (in case it is copied, for instance, and used elsewhere on the internet).
6. I understand and agree to comply with all of the contest rules.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

For questions please contact ~ Melissa Plemons, CA Department of Pesticide Regulation  
[melissa.plemons@cdpr.ca.gov](mailto:melissa.plemons@cdpr.ca.gov) or call 916-445-8411

Pest Management and Licensing Branch  
Urban Pest Management  
CA School & Child Care IPM

Instructions on how to submit contest photos & quotes –

1. Download and save the form.
2. Fill in the form by typing, then print and sign the release.  
OR – Print and handwrite the information, and sign the release.
3. Scan both pages and attach to an email.
4. Attach up to 5 photograph entries to the email.
5. Send the email to – [melissa.plemons@cdpr.ca.gov](mailto:melissa.plemons@cdpr.ca.gov) with the subject line "PHOTO CONTEST".