



**The New York Schools Insurance Reciprocal
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Tick Awareness & Management Workshop for Schools

Who Should Attend? This seminar is intended for the individuals responsible for the maintenance of school district grounds, pest control staff & decision makers. Please extend this invite to the Facilities Directors and members of the Facilities Department.

Topics to Be Covered:

- Hour 1 – Classroom – Presentation by NYSIPM Specialist on tick species, ecology, disease potential & management strategies.
- Hour 2 – Participants build tick drag mats for monitoring tick activity outdoors.
- Hour 3 – Exterior grounds – Participants will learn how to perform a tick drag and how to identify ticks and how to interpret the results. Various management strategies will be discussed.

The NY State IPM Program has a long history of cooperation with K-12 schools to promote the adoption of integrated pest management & best practices for indoor & outdoor pests. Ticks are of increasing concern for New Yorkers & disease incidence is on the rise. To keep school children safe while attending school, grounds departments need to understand & effectively manage ticks & exposure to ticks. This workshop is offered by Extension Specialists of the NYSIPM Program for free, and participants will walk away with knowledge, resources & a tick sampling tool to be used in their own district.

**Speakers: Jody Gangloff-Kaufmann, PhD, Coordinator
Matthew Frye, PhD., Extension Educator
Community IPM Program/NYS IPM Program**

Seating is Limited – Please Register Early!

Date and Location:
9:00 a.m. – Tuesday – December 3, 2019
Western Suffolk BOCES - Outdoor Learning Lab
Sunken Meadow Park
810 Meadow Road
Smithtown, NY 11787

Registration/ Breakfast – 8:30 a.m.
Seminar 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
Breakfast Will Be Provided

Please RSVP to:

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Please indicate the names(s) of attendees and the school district name.*