

CUSTODIAN'S CLOSET



USCMA

Newsletter of the Utah School Custodial Managers Association

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President's Message

Greetings Utah Public School Custodial Professionals! I had the great pleasure last June of being elected as the President of the Utah School Custodial Managers Association (USCMA). I do not take this leadership position lightly and quite frankly, it's not something I aspired to. However, as I have told my employees many time before, if you are given a program, make it yours! Whether it's one of your own or adopted, it should be treated the same. I am looking forward to working with all of you in the next two years to make our jobs more professional and appreciated.

Our new President-Elect (VP) Shawna Cragun from Davis School District shares my vision and her drive to do good things is amazing. Together, with our Treasurer Todd Muir from Canyons School District, our Membership Chairman Merv Brewer from Salt Lake School District and Amanda Christensen our Secretary, we are striving to do whatever we can to help elevate ALL Custodians in Utah's public schools. We need your help! Please spread the word about our organization and encourage the Custodial leaders in your district to join us.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of assistance to you or your organization.

All the BEST!
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"Some people want it to happen, some wish it would happen, others make it happen..."

- Michael Jordan

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What does your IPM plan need?

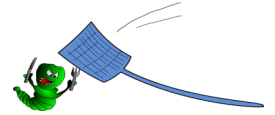
IPM Plans

SHALL Include...

- Policy Statement
- Implementation Plan
- Education Plan
- Pest ID Procedures
- Monitoring Procedures
- Pest Reporting Procedures
- Control practices
- Approved Pesticides List
- Procedures For Pesticide Use
- Notification policy

Your local Health Department can require changes to your plan!

IPM: The School Rule



On November 19th, we attended the Semiannual State Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Coalition meeting held at Weber School District Facilities Training Center.



IPM State Coalition Meeting November 19th 2015

Ryan Davis from Utah State University gave some helpful tips on developing and sustaining an IPM program. Salt Lake School District did a great presentation on creating a buy-in for an IPM plan.

The next State IPM coalition meeting is scheduled for April 28th 2016. Location and topics to be announced.

What Have We Been Doing?

The USCMA Leadership Team attended the **International Sanitary Supply Association's** national convention in Las Vegas during October.

We learned the latest in equipment, chemicals, and processes from leaders of the cleaning industry. We met with manufacturers, as well as leading industry officials, to learn more about the best practices in cleaning for health initiatives.

Todd Muir of Canyons School District finished up his certification classes to become a ISSA CIMS GB Expert Trainer as well as an ISSA CITS certified Trainer. Congratulations Todd, what a great asset to have in our group!

Mervin Brewer, Editor



ISSA National Convention October 19th - 23rd 2015

USCMA – Mission Statement

“To enhance the professionalism and efficiencies of custodial services in Utah’s public schools.”

To accomplish our mission, USCMA will provide:

- Resources to develop health and cleaning standards for Utah’s public schools.
- Training and certifications.
- Opportunities to share ideas to improve serviceability in maintenance and operational costs of school facilities.
- Promote professional ideas and standards to better serve the objectives of K-12 education in Utah.

Upcoming Conference

The 2016 annual USCMA Conference will be June 16th, 2016, from 8:30am - 12:00pm at Syracuse High School, 665 South 2000 West, Syracuse, Utah.

A Brief History...

In 2007, a private group solicited the Utah state legislature asking for standardized custodial services in public schools. As a result of that solicitation, a group of custodial leaders worked to develop the *Utah School Custodial Managers Association* (USCMA) with the idea of developing greater statewide opportunities for networking together to develop the best practices for all Utah schools. The organization is designed to assist custodians in achieving more standardized services for all schools state wide.



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