

Mice and Rats

Keep Our School Healthy and Pest-Free

- Mice and rats can spread disease, cause asthma, and damage our school.
- Help keep mice and rats outside by keeping our school clean, neat, and well-maintained.

Prevent

- Keep desks, shelves, cupboards and lockers clean and neat.
- Don't leave food in your desk, locker or backpack.
- Don't prop open outside doors.



Observe and Report

Report to the custodian or principal if you see:

- Droppings
- Gnawed food packages or computer cables
- Live animals, such as a mouse running across the floor
- Animal in a trap
- Food or food-waste left out overnight



Deal with Uninvited Guests—Safely

• Leave rodent traps and boxes alone.

- Tell a custodian if a trap is out of place, damaged or has an animal in it.
- Droppings should be sprayed with disinfectant, then wiped up with paper towels, sealed in a plastic bag and discarded. Do not vacuum.

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