

# Poisonous Plants



Poisonous plants pose a high health risk in schools where potential contact with, or ingestion of plant leaves, stems, and berries may be of concern.

Contact with the oils of certain plants such as poison ivy, poison oak, and poison sumac, may cause an allergic reaction. Poisonous plants can be avoided by reducing access to infested areas. Train staff in proper removal methods. Follow state and local pesticide regulations if using herbicides to control infestations.

For more information please visit:

[neipmc.org/schools](http://neipmc.org/schools)

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## What Schools Can Do:



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- Accurately identify poisonous plants on school grounds.
- Reduce potential exposure to harmful plants by fencing off or removing poisonous plants.
- Establish and follow school policy for treating students exposed to poisonous plants.

Free certificate training at:

[StopSchoolPests.org](http://StopSchoolPests.org)

