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# NEWS ROUNDUP

## IPM in Schools - August 2018

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## Beaches, Barbecues, and Bug Bites?

With summer comes the emergence of biting insects, including the dreaded "no-see-um". These miniature biting bugs require blood meals for their eggs and can cause welts or blisters and allergic reactions. You can reduce breeding sites by removing standing water. Repellents and protective clothing should also be worn when possible. More information can be found [here](#).



## Cockroaches? Keep it Simple!

Coby Schal, an entomologist from NC State, and Felicia Rabito, an epidemiologist at Tulane University, received the 2018 HUD Secretary's Award for Healthy Homes for their research, education and outreach concerning cockroaches and respiratory health risks. The pair found that children in homes using simple, inexpensive insecticidal baits had improved lung functions, reduced asthma symptoms and used health-care services less. More information on their findings can be found [here](#).



## Pest Problems at the Polls!

Imagine their surprise when voters showing up at Patapsco Elementary/Middle School for the Maryland primary elections found an infestation of mice and cockroaches. Fleas and flies harassed voters and one mother had to roll up her pant leg to prevent a mouse from crawling up her pants. Schools are more than just a physical place for learning, they are cornerstones of the community and should be safe-guarded against pest threats. Read more [here](#).

## Upcoming Events

August 3, 2018 [All Bugs Good and Bad Webinar Series: Bees, Wasps, and Hornets, Oh My!](#)

August 7-8, 2018 [Landscape Irrigation Auditing and Management](#), Dallas, TX

August 14-15, 2018 [Irrigation CAD Workshop](#), College Station, TX

August 30, 2018 [Bees in the Garden Webinar](#)

September 7, 2018 [All Bugs Good and Bad Webinar Series: Winterizing Your Home to Keep Out Pests](#)

September 18-19, [School IPM Coordinator Training](#), Katy, TX

September 19, 2018 [Weather & Sensor Based Irrigation Controllers](#), Dallas, TX

September 20, 2018, [Automated Weather Stations for Irrigation](#), Dallas, TX

October 3-4, 2018, [School IPM Coordinator Training](#), Tyler, TX

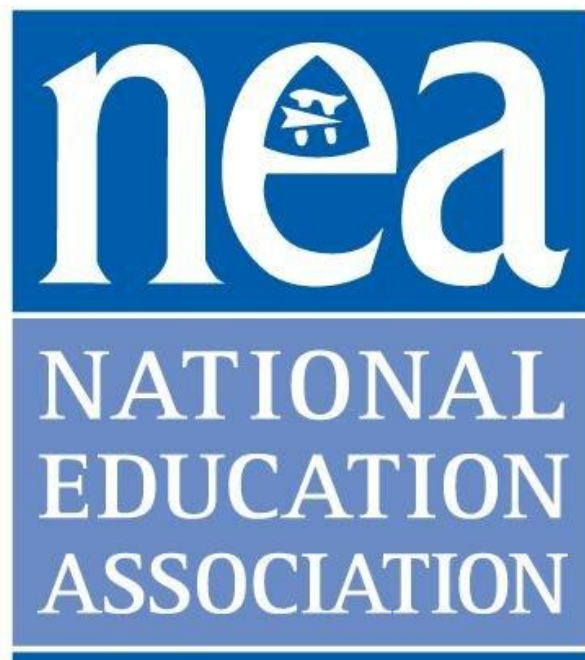
October 5, 2018 [All Bugs Good and Bad Webinar Series: Structural Misidentified Pests](#)

October 29, 2018, [Lawn & Land Forum Workshop](#), Milwaukee, WI

November 2, 2018 [All Bugs Good and Bad Webinar Series: Lice, Scabies, and Mites](#)

December 7, 2018 [All Bugs Good and Bad Webinar Series: Pantry Pests](#)

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