

ATTENTION TEACHERS

WE GIVE TALKS TO K-6 CLASSROOMS!

We have speakers available to come to your classroom to give presentations on mosquitoes, pest insects and diseases.

These presentations are tailored to your grade level and current instructional focus and can cover the following subjects such as:

- * Mosquitoes
- * Biology of insects that carry diseases (vectors) such as flies, ticks, headlice and fleas
- * Stinging insects such as wasps, bees, ants and scorpions
- * Pesticide-free insect control
- * Importance of sanitation and water management
- * Human-pest interactions in the news such as West Nile virus, Lyme disease, Hantavirus and Africanized Honey Bees.

Instructional aids including handouts, videotapes, slides, mosquitofish, and live and preserved insects are use to enhance learning. Students are encouraged to ask questions. Mosquito emergence containers can be checked out so that the students can observe their lifecycle and mosquito-fish consuming them.

Speakers are available to give presentations to K-6th grade classes in public and private schools throughout the County (winter is best). In addition, District personnel may be available to mentor student research for individual and team science projects. If you are interested, please call the Santa Cruz Mosquito and Vector Control District to schedule a talk. **(831) 454-2590.**