

# managing risk with responsibility

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TO:

Ms. Theresa Bucolo, Principal

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FROM: Edward See, Project Manager, Occupational Health and Environmental Control

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SUBJECT: Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) Assessment

**FISH 509** 

On April 17, 2007 I conducted an assessment of FISH 509 at **Harbordale Elementary School**. This evaluation included observations of the flooring system, ceiling tiles, false ceiling plenum, environmental surfaces, interior and exterior walls, and the accessible ventilation equipment. The detailed findings, along with the recommended corrective action can be found on the attached IAQ Assessment Worksheets.

The IAQ assessment did identify one or more existing conditions impacting IAQ and has generated appropriate work orders to correct deficiencies in systems and maintenance that could contribute to decreased indoor air quality. At the time of the assessment, these concerns were not an immediate health or safety concern to building occupants. However, due to individual sensitivities and predisposing health factors, it is possible that some building occupants may elicit a health response to agents and / or conditions identified during the evaluation. Therefore, to further improve IAQ, prevent development of future IAQ-related problems, and to reduce the potential for IAQ-related complaints by building occupants, the IAQ Assessment Team recommends appropriate follow up of each item identified and listed in the attached evaluation.

Should any questions arise, or if the current concerns continue after the attached recommendations have been addressed, please feel free to contact me at 754-321-3200.

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Harbordale Elementary School					Evaluati	on Requested April 12, 2007
Time of Day	10:30 am	]			E	Evaluation Date April 17, 2007
Outdoor Condi	itions Te	mperature	67.1	Relative Humidity	52.4	Ambient CO2 520
Fish	Temperature	Range F	Relative Humidity	Range	CO2	Range # Occupants
509	71	72 - 78	44.2	30% - 60%	811	Max 700 > Ambient 16
Noticeable Oc	lor Yes	],	Visible water damage / staining	Visible micro g? growth?		Amount of material affected
Ceiling Type	2 x 4 La	y In	Yes	No		6 Ceiling Tiles
Wall Type	Tackab	le	No	No	[	None
Flooring	Carpe	t	No	No		None
	Clean	Minor Du / Debris		I	Correc	ctive Action Required
Ceiling	No	Yes	Yes	R	emove a	nd replace ceiling tiles
Walls	Yes	No	No			
Flooring	No	Yes	Yes		Cle	ean and sanitize
HVAC Supply	Grills Yes	No	No			
HVAC Return	Grills Yes	No	No			
Ceiling at Sup Grills	ply Yes	No	No			
Surfaces in Ro	oom No	Yes	Yes		Clea	an as appropriate

IAQ Assessment

0491

April 12, 2007

**Location Number Evaluation Requested** 

## **Observations**

#### Findings:

- Odor in room from art supplies. Room is being used as a classroom.
- Temperature was low at the time of the assessment
- No signs of water intrusion or microbial growth
- Dust build up on floor
- Debris and garbage (pencil shavings, snack bags, etc.) in student desks
- Dust and debris on environmental surfaces
- Six (6) stained ceiling tiles throughout the room
- Dust build up on return dampers and inside false ceiling plenum around duct work

### Recommendations:

## Site Based Maintenance:

- Adjust the thermostat to increase the temperature. Continue to monitor condition and initiate a work order for Physical Plant Operations to evaluate the HVAC system if temperature does not improve.
- Clean and sanitize floor
- Thoroughly clean environmental surfaces throughout the media center
- Continue to monitor this location for any signs of microbial growth as well as dust and debris accumulation and clean as appropriate

#### Physical Plant Operations:

- Evaluate cause of stained ceiling tiles and repair. Remove and replaced stained ceiling tiles as appropriate.
- · Clean dust build up on return dampers and inside false ceiling plenum around duct work