

## managing risk with responsibility

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TO: Dorothy Cain, Principal

**Palm Cove Elementary School** 

FROM: Richard Rosa, Project Manager

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SUBJECT: Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) Assessment

| For Custodial Supervisor Use Only |                                |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|                                   | Custodial Issues Addressed     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                   | Custodial Issues Not Addressed |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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On January 12, 2012, I conducted an assessment at **Palm Cove Elementary School**. Attached are findings and recommendations for further assessment, remediation, or corrective actions needed.

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.

Please ensure that your Head Facilities Serviceperson receives a copy of this correspondence so that the recommendations requiring their attention can be addressed. In an attempt to separate IAQ issues from general maintenance items, the attached assessment may contain direction for site based staff to generate a work order through COMPASS. Within two weeks a representative from the Custodial/Grounds Department will conduct a follow-up visit to ensure that all site based custodial issues have been appropriately addressed.

Should any questions arise, or if the current concerns continue after the attached recommendations have been addressed, please feel free to contact us at 754-321-1907.

cc: Area Superintendent

Area Directors

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|                             | IAQ Assessment            |                        |                                  |                       | Location Number |                           |         |             |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|---------|-------------|
| Palm Cove Elementary School |                           |                        |                                  |                       | Evaluation      | January 11, 2012          |         |             |
| Time of Day                 | 1:00                      | ]                      |                                  |                       | E               | valuation Date            | Janua   | ry 12, 2012 |
| Outdoor Condi               | tions Ter                 | mperature              | 81                               | Relative Humidity     | 54.7            | Ambie                     | nt CO2  | 428         |
| l ———— —                    |                           | Range Rela             | ative Humidity                   | Range                 | CO2             | Ran                       | •       | # Occupants |
| 101K                        | 75.8                      | 72 - 78                | 60.7                             | 30% - 60%             | 696             | Max 700                   | > Ambie | nt          |
| Noticeable Od               | or No                     |                        | Visible water<br>nage / staining | Visible micro growth? | bial<br>_       | Amount of material affect |         |             |
| Ceiling Type                | Ceiling Type 2 x 4 Lay In |                        | No                               |                       |                 | None                      |         |             |
| Wall Type                   | Drywal                    | il                     | No                               | No                    |                 | None                      |         |             |
| Flooring                    | 12 x 12 Vi                | nyl                    | No                               | No                    | [               | None                      |         |             |
| O. Warr                     | Clean                     | Minor Dust<br>/ Debris | Needs<br>Cleaning                |                       | Correc          | tive Action Re            | equired |             |
| Ceiling                     | Yes                       | No                     | No                               |                       |                 |                           |         |             |
| Walls                       | Yes                       | No                     | No                               |                       |                 |                           |         |             |
| Flooring                    | Yes                       | No                     | No                               |                       |                 |                           |         |             |
| HVAC Supply                 | Grills Yes                | No                     | No                               |                       |                 |                           |         |             |
| HVAC Return (               | Grills No                 | Yes                    | Yes                              |                       | Clea            | n as appropri             | ate     |             |
| Ceiling at Supp<br>Grills   | ply Yes                   | No                     | No                               |                       |                 |                           |         |             |
| Surfaces in Ro              | oom Yes                   | No                     | No                               |                       |                 |                           |         |             |
| Observations                |                           |                        |                                  |                       |                 |                           |         |             |
| Findings - Humidity level   | was elevated              |                        |                                  |                       |                 |                           |         |             |

- Dust build up on HVAC return grills

## Site Based Maintenance:

- Clean HVAC return grills with Wexcide disinfectant solution
- Encourage occupant to reduce clutter on bookshelves to assist with cleaning efforts
- 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 HVAC system for proper operation and repair as appropriate to lower humidity level
- NOTE: Work order EQ02274 generated 1-23-12