

# managing risk with responsibility

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TO: Mr. Charles Radkowski, Principal

Sawgrass Elementary School

FROM: Edward See, Project Manager

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SUBJECT: Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) Assessment

**FISH 850** 

On June 2, 2008 I conducted an assessment of FISH 850 at **Sawgrass 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. Additionally, environmental parameter measurements were taken to include temperature, relative humidity, and carbon dioxide. 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.

Please ensure that your Head Facilities Serviceperson receives a copy of this correspondence so that the recommendations requiring their attention can be addressed. Within two weeks a representative from the Custodial/Grounds Department will conduct a follow-up visit to ensure that all 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 me at 754-321-3200.

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Sawgrass Elementary School						Evaluation Requested May 23, 2008						
Time of Day 3:30 pm								Eval	uation Date	June	2, 2008	
Outdoor Condi	itions	Te	emperature	90	0.4	Relative Hur	nidity	56.6	Ambien	nt CO2	401	
Fish	Temperature Range		Range	Relative Humidity		/ Range	СО	)2	Range		Occupants	
850	8	3.3	72 - 78		63	30% - 60%	<b>9% - 60%</b> 463		Max 700 > Ambient 2		t 2	
Noticeable Odor No					isible water age / stainin	Visible microbial growth?		I An	Amount of material affected			
Ceiling Type		2 x 4 Lay In		Yes		No			1 ceiling tile			
Wall Type	F	Plaster/Drywall		Yes		Yes			1 square foot			
Flooring		12 x 12	Vinyl		No		No		None			
		Clean	Minor D / Debr		Needs Cleaning	)	Co	orrective	e Action Rec	quired		
Ceiling		No		Yes			Remove and replace ceiling tile					
Walls		No	Yes	]	Yes		Rep	air/repla	ace as appro	priate		
Flooring		No	Yes	]	Yes			Clean	and sanitize	)		
HVAC Supply	Grills	Yes	No	]	No							
HVAC Return	Grills	No	Yes	]	Yes		Clear	n with W	excide disir	nfectant		
Ceiling at Sup Grills	ply	Yes	No	]	No							
Surfaces in Ro	oom	Yes	No		No							

IAQ Assessment

3401

May 23, 2008

**Location Number Evaluation Requested** 

## **Observations**

#### Findings:

- Room was currently unoccupied and A/C was off (auto shut off). Temperature and humidity were elevated due to A/C not
- Visible stains on wall and bubbling paint (Southwest corner and baseboard under South window)
- Dust and debris on HVAC return grills
- Dust and debris on floor
- Potted plants in room
- Ants observed on North wall

#### Recommendations:

## Site Based Maintenance:

- Clean HVAC return grills with Wexcide disinfectant solution
- Thoroughly clean and sanitize floor to remove dust and debris
- Remove potted plants. Soil is a source of microbial growth.
- Continue to monitor this location for any signs of microbial growth as well as dust and debris accumulation and clean as appropriate

#### Site Based Maintenance:

- Evaluate and repair cause of staining and bubbling paint on walls (Southwest corner and baseboard under South window). Repair/replace wall material as necessary.
- Initiate work order for pest control