

# managing risk with responsibility

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SUBJECT: Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) Assessment

**FISH 403** 

On July 15, 2005 and August 1, 2005 the IAQ Assessment Team conducted an assessment of FISH 403 at **Virginia Shuman Young Elementary School**. The evaluation consisted of a walkthrough of the identified areas to assess the current condition of the location with regard to indoor air quality. This assessment included observations of the carpet, floor tile, ceiling tile, interior walls, false ceiling plenum, and accessible ventilation equipment.

Attached are the findings of this assessment along with recommendations for further assessment, remediation, or corrective actions, if needed.

Generally, the IAQ Assessment did not identify any existing conditions significantly impacting IAQ and thereby presenting immediate health and safety concerns 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 754-321-1638.

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# IAQ Assessment

Virginia Shuman Young Elementary School				Evaluation Requested July 12, 2005			
Time of Day 10:50 am					ı	Evaluation Date	July 15, 2005
Outdoor Condition	s Tem	perature	89.5	Relative Humidity	73.2	? Ambient (	CO2 413
Fish Temp	perature F	Range R	Relative Humidity	Range	CO2	Range	# Occupants
403	71.1 <b>7</b> .	2 - 78	66.1	30% - 60%	420	Max 700 > A	Ambient 2
Noticeable Odor No			Visible water Visible microb damage / staining? growth?			Amount of material affected	
Ceiling Type	2x2 Lay In		No			None	
Wall Type T	Tackboard/Drywall		Yes			Water damage at sink	
Flooring	12x12 Viny	/l	No	No		None	
	Clean	Minor Dus			Corre	ctive Action Requi	ired
Ceiling	Yes	No	No				
Walls	No	Yes	Yes				
Flooring	Yes	No	No				
HVAC Supply Grill	s Yes	No	No				
HVAC Return Grill	s Yes	No	No				
Ceiling at Supply Grills	Yes	No	No				
Surfaces in Room	Yes	No	No				

# Observations

### Findings:

- Visible staining and moisture on tackboard wall surfaces
- Water damaged wall around sink area in 403 and water damaged wall in 403A (backs up to sink). Moisture content 30%.
- Humidity level elevated

#### Recommendations:

#### Site Based Maintenance:

- 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 Division:

- Remove sink cabinet and repair water damaged wall in 403 and 403A
- Remove all tackboard surfaces and refinish walls as appropriate
- Evaluate and repair HVAC system to lower humidity level and adjust temperature to 72 degrees

(another assessment was performed on 8/1/05)