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May 22, 2009	Signature on File				
TO:	Mr. Karlton Johnson, Principal Blanche Ely High School				
FROM:	Edward See, Project Manager Risk Management Department				
SUBJECT:	Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) Assessment				

FISH 662, 663, 665 and 667

On March 31, 2009 I conducted an assessment of FISH 662, 663, 665 and 667 at **Blanche Ely High 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 754-321-1900.

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			IAQ Ass	sessment	Location Number	0361
	I	Blanche Ely Higl	n School		Evaluation Requested	March 30, 2009
Time of Day	8:30 am	]			Evaluation Date	March 31, 2009
Outdoor Condi	itions Ter	mperature 8	33.1	Relative Humidity	69.5 Ambie	nt CO2 370
Fish	Temperature	Range Relat	tive Humidity	Range	CO2 Rar	nge # Occupants
662	70.5	72 - 78	64.2	30% - 60%	1004 Max 700	> Ambient 20
Noticeable Od	lor No		/isible water age / staining	Visible micro ? growth?	bial Amount o material affec	
Ceiling Type	2 x 4		No	No		None
Wall Type	Drywall/Pla	aster	No	No		None
Flooring	12 x 12 V	inyl	No	No		None
	Clean	Minor Dust / Debris	Needs Cleaning		Corrective Action Re	equired
Ceiling	Yes	No	No			
Walls	Yes	No	No			
Flooring	Yes	Νο	No			
HVAC Supply	Grills Yes	Νο	No			
HVAC Return	Grills Yes	Νο	No			
Ceiling at Sup Grills	ply Yes	No	No			
Surfaces in Ro	oom Yes	No	No			

Findings:

- Humidity level was slightly elevated at the time of the assessment

#### 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:

- Evaluate HVAC system for proper operation and repair as appropriate to lower humidity level

Note: Work Orders EQ01252 and EQ01253 generated 3/25/09

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Fish T		Range Relat	ive Humidity	Range	CO2 Ran	ge # Occupants
663	71.7	72 - 78	63.8	30% - 60%	1087 Max 700	> Ambient 20
Noticeable Od	or No		/isible water age / staining	Visible microl ? growth?	bial Amount o material affec	
Ceiling Type	2 x 4		Yes	No	1 c	eiling tile
Wall Type	Drywall/Pla	aster	No	No		None
Flooring	12 x 12 V	inyl	No	No		None
	Clean	Minor Dust / Debris	Needs Cleaning		Corrective Action Re	equired
Ceiling	No	Yes	Yes	R	emove and replace ce	eiling tile
Walls	Yes	Νο	No			
Flooring	Yes	Νο	No			
HVAC Supply	Grills Yes	No	No			
HVAC Return (	Grills Yes	Νο	No			
Ceiling at Sup Grills	ply Yes	No	No			
Surfaces in Ro	om Yes	No	No			

#### Findings:

- One stained ceiling tile at exhaust hood

- Humidity level was slightly elevated at the time of the assessment

#### Recommendations:

#### Site Based Maintenance:

- Remove and replace stained ceiling tile at exhaust hood

- 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

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Outdoor Conditio	ns Ter	mperature 8	3.1	Relative Humidity	69.5	Ambie	nt CO2	370
Fish Ten	nperature	Range Relat	ive Humidity	Range	CO2	Ran	nge #	Occupants
665	72	72 - 78	60.1	30% - 60%	968	Max 700	> Ambien	t 22
Noticeable Odor	No	-	′isible water age / staining	Visible micro growth?		Amount of aterial affect		
Ceiling Type	2 x 4		No	No			None	
Wall Type	Drywall/Pla	aster	No	No			None	
Flooring	12 x 12 V	inyl	No	No			None	
	Clean	Minor Dust / Debris	Needs Cleaning		Corrective	e Action Re	equired	
Ceiling	Yes	No	No					
Walls	Yes	Νο	No					
Flooring	Yes	No	No					
HVAC Supply Gr	ills Yes	Νο	No					
HVAC Return Gr	ills Yes	Νο	No					
Ceiling at Supply Grills	Yes	No	No					
Surfaces in Roor	n Yes	No	No					

#### Findings:

- Humidity level was slightly elevated at the time of the assessment

- FISH 006 (corridor) - paint effervescing on South wall at baseboard and around window sills

#### **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:

- Evaluate HVAC system for proper operation and repair as appropriate to lower humidity level
- Evaluate and repair cause of effervescing paint on South wall at baseboards and around window sills

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Fish	Temperature	Range Rela	tive Humidity	Range	CO2 Ran	ige # Occupants
667	67.9	72 - 78	69.4	30% - 60%	814 Max 700	> Ambient 5
Noticeable Od	lor No		Visible water nage / staining	Visible microl ? growth?	bial Amount o material affec	=
Ceiling Type	2 x 4		No	No		None
Wall Type	Drywall/Pla	aster	No	Yes	@ 3 squa	re feet - cabinet
Flooring	12 x 12 V	inyl	No	No		None
	Clean	Minor Dust / Debris	Needs Cleaning		Corrective Action Re	equired
Ceiling	Yes	No	No			
Walls	No	Yes	Yes	Wipe dow	n cabinet with appro	ved disinfectant
Flooring	No	Yes	Yes		Clean and sanitiz	ze
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		Clean as appropri	ate

#### Findings: (Chemical Prep Room)

- @ 3 square feet of visible microbial growth in organic and inorganic chemical storage cabinets

- Dust and dirt build up on floor
- East side fume hood generating heat and humidity
- Humid outside air coming from stove exhaust
- Temperature was low and humidity level elevated at the time of the assessment
- Dust and debris build up around sink area (teachers)

- FISH 637 - AHU Room - A/C filters not taped together

# Recommendations:

# Site Based Maintenance:

- Wipe down chemical storage cabinets with approved disinfectant solution and monitor for return of growth.

- Clean and sanitize floor
- Clean around sink area (teachers)

- Tape A/C filters together - FISH 637 (AHU room)

- 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 increase temperature and lower humidity level

- Evaluate and repair stove exhaust and fume hood as appropriate