

# RISK MANAGEMENT...

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SUBJECT: Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) Assessment  
**FISH 192, 192A and 192B**

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Custodial Issues Not Addressed
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On August 21, 2009 I conducted an assessment of FISH 192, 192A and 192B at **Nova 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. 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 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 754-321-1638.

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# IAQ Assessment

Location Number 1281

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Outdoor Conditions      Temperature 89.7      Relative Humidity 67.3      Ambient CO2 471

Fish	Temperature	Range	Relative Humidity	Range	CO2	Range	# Occupants
<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">192</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">70.6</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">72 - 78</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">72.8</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">30% - 60%</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">426</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Max 700 &gt; Ambient</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">2</span>
Noticeable Odor		Visible water damage / staining?		Visible microbial growth?		Amount of material affected	
<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">No</span>		<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">No</span>		<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">No</span>		<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">None</span>	
Ceiling Type	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Plaster</span>		<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">No</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">No</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">None</span>		
Wall Type	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Plaster</span>		<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">No</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">No</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">None</span>		
Flooring	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Carpet</span>		<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Yes</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">No</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Various</span>		

	Clean	Minor Dust / Debris	Needs Cleaning	Corrective Action Required
Ceiling	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Yes</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">No</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">No</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"></span>
Walls	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Yes</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">No</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">No</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"></span>
Flooring	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">No</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Yes</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Yes</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Clean and sanitize</span>
HVAC Supply Grills	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Yes</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">No</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">No</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"></span>
HVAC Return Grills	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">No</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Yes</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Yes</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Clean with Wexcide disinfectant</span>
Ceiling at Supply Grills	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Yes</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">No</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">No</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"></span>
Surfaces in Room	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">No</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Yes</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Yes</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Clean as appropriate</span>

## Observations

### Findings:

- Visible microbial growth on 2'x2'x1' homemade wooden podium - advised to discard at the time of the assessment
- Carpet severely stained from tape, spills, etc.
- Dust build up on environmental surfaces
- Dust and debris on HVAC return grills
- Temperature was low and humidity level was elevated at the time of the assessment

### Recommendations:

#### Site Based Maintenance:

- Discard wooden podium
- Thoroughly clean and sanitize carpet. Do not use tape on carpet and refrain from eating or drinking in carpeted rooms.
- Clean environmental surfaces as appropriate
- Clean HVAC return grills with Wexcide disinfectant solution
- 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.

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Noticeable Odor		Visible water damage / staining?		Visible microbial growth?		Amount of material affected	
<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">No</span>		<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">No</span>		<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">No</span>		<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">None</span>	
Ceiling Type	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Plaster</span>		<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">No</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">No</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">None</span>		
Wall Type	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Plaster</span>		<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">No</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">No</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">None</span>		
Flooring	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Carpet</span>		<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Yes</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">No</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Various</span>		

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HVAC Supply Grills	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Yes</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">No</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">No</span>	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"></span>
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## Observations

### Findings:

- Cob webs and dust on walls. Excessive dust on open storage cabinets. Walls stained - tape marks, tape pieces, poster glue, gum, etc. Hole in wall - appears to have been pushed in or kicked.
- Carpet is old, buckled, rippled and severely stained. J work order generated by site to replace carpet.
- Dust build up on environmental surfaces
- Dust and debris on HVAC return grills
- Temperature was low and humidity level was elevated at the time of the assessment
- Gap over door at ceiling allowing dust and air intrusion

### Recommendations:

#### Site Based Maintenance:

- Thoroughly clean walls to remove dust, stains, etc.
- Contact COMPASS to generate a work order to repair hole in wall
- Work order generated by site to replace carpet
- Thoroughly clean environmental surfaces as appropriate
- Clean HVAC return grills with Wexcide disinfectant solution
- 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.
- Evaluate gap over door at ceiling and repair as appropriate to prevent air and dust intrusion

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- Temperature was low and humidity level was elevated at the time of the assessment
- Light fixtures hanging loose from ceiling allowing dust and air intrusion

### Recommendations:

#### Site Based Maintenance:

- Thoroughly clean walls to remove dust, stains, etc.
- Work order generated by site to replace carpet
- Thoroughly clean environmental surfaces as appropriate
- Clean HVAC return grills with Wexcide disinfectant solution
- 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
- Evaluate light fixtures and repair as appropriate to secure tight to ceiling to prevent dust and air intrusion