

# managing risk with responsibility

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SUBJECT: Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) Assessment

FISH 833 and 834

On October 29, 2004 the IAQ Assessment Team conducted an assessment of FISH 833 and 834 at **J.P. Taravella High 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 954-765-8864.

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#### IAQ Assessment **Evaluation Requested** October 28, 2004 J.P. Taravella High School **Evaluation Date** November 2, 2004 Time of Day 12:52 pm **Outdoor Conditions Temperature** 82.3 52.2 **Relative Humidity Ambient CO2** 439 Temperature Fish CO<sub>2</sub> **Relative Humidity** Range Range Range # Occupants

30% - 60%

924

Visible microbial

growth?

No

< 1,000 PPM

None

Amount of material

affected

3

49.7

Visible water

damage / staining?

No

Wall Type	Drywall		No	No	None
Flooring	Tile		No	No	None
	Clean	Minor Dust / Debris	Needs Cleaning	Corre	ective Action Required
Ceiling	Yes	No	No		
Walls	Yes	No	No		
Flooring	Yes	No	No		
HVAC Supply G	Grills Yes	No	No		
HVAC Return G	rills Yes	No	No		
Ceiling at Supp Grills	ly Yes	No	No		
Surfaces in Roc	om Yes	No	No		

# **Observations**

833

**Noticeable Odor** 

**Ceiling Type** 

71.9

No

2x4 Lay In

72 - 78

# Findings:

- No visible signs of microbial growth or water intrusion
- No moisture detected in the walls throughout the entire classroom
- Classroom appears clean
- HVAC system was inoperable for a period of three weeks and is currently functioning without any problems

### 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

#### IAQ Assessment **Evaluation Requested** October 28, 2004 J.P. Taravella High School **Evaluation Date** November 2, 2004 Time of Day 1:03 pm **Outdoor Conditions Temperature** 82.1 61.8 **Relative Humidity Ambient CO2** 437 Temperature Fish CO<sub>2</sub> **Relative Humidity** Range Range Range # Occupants 834 73.6 52.2 1373 72 - 78 < 1,000 PPM 24 30% - 60% Visible water Visible microbial **Amount of material Noticeable Odor** No damage / staining? growth? affected None **Ceiling Type** 2x4 Lay In No No

No

No

None

Flooring	Tile		No	No None
	Clean	Minor Dust / Debris	Needs Cleaning	Corrective Action Required
Ceiling	Yes	No	No	
Walls	Yes	No	No	
Flooring	Yes	No	No	
HVAC Supply Gri	IIs Yes	No	No	
HVAC Return Gri	lls No	Yes	Yes	
Ceiling at Supply Grills	Yes	No	No	
Surfaces in Room	Yes	No	No	

# **Observations**

Wall Type

### Findings:

- No visible signs of microbial growth or water intrusion

Drywall

- Dust and debris on HVAC return grill
- No moisture detected in the walls throughout the entire classroom
- High Carbon dioxide level detected
- Classroom appears clean

### Recommendations:

# Site Based Maintenance:

- Clean HVAC return grill 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 Division:

- Evaluate and repair as appropriate the fresh air damper in order to lower the carbon dioxide level