

# managing risk with responsibility

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**Gulfstream Middle School** 

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SUBJECT: Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) Assessment

Portable R-7D and R-7E

On September 22, 2005 the IAQ Assessment Team conducted an assessment of Portable R-7D and R-7E at **Gulfstream Middle 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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Time of Day	1:30 pn	n			E	Evaluation Date September 22, 2005
Outdoor Condit	tions	Temperatur	e 90	Relative Humidity	65.3	Ambient CO2 432
Fish T	emperatur	e Range	Relative Humidit	y Range	CO2	Range # Occupants
R-7D	78.9	72 - 78	66.2	30% - 60%	735	Max 700 > Ambient 18
Noticeable Odor No			Visible water damage / stainin			Amount of material affected
Ceiling Type	2 x 4	1 Lay In	No	No		None
Wall Type	Hor	nasote	Yes	Yes		Around East HVAC return grill
Flooring	12 x	12 Vinyl	Yes	No		Floor buckling/soft
	Clea	n Minor / Del			Correc	ctive Action Required
Ceiling	Yes	s N	o No			
Walls	Yes	s N	o No			
Flooring	Yes	s N	o No			
HVAC Supply (	Grills Yes	s N	o No			
HVAC Return 0	Grills No	Ye	Yes		Clean wit	h Wexcide disinfectant
Ceiling at Supp Grills	oly				Wa	III mounted units
Surfaces in Ro	om Yes	s No	No			

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Evaluation Requested September 19, 2005

**Location Number** 

# **Observations**

### Findings:

- East HVAC unit was not working at the time of the assessment
- Visible microbial growth around HVAC return grill (East)
- Moisture in walls 40% West wall between doors, 29% South wall left of window, 24% North wall right side of door
- 22% moisture content in floor floor is buckling and soft
- Restroom exhaust fan not working

### Recommendations:

### Site Based Maintenance:

- Clean HVAC return grill and wall around 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 roofing of all 6 units of R-7 for leaks and repair/replace as necessary
- Evaluate exterior siding of R-7 for water intrusion and repair/replace as necessary
- Evaluate all inteior walls for water damage and repair/replace as necessary
- Evaluate all wood flooring for water damage (buckling and soft) and repair/replace as necessary
- Evaluate HVAC for proper operation and repair/replace as necessary
- Evaluate and repair/replace exhaust fan in restroom

Note: May be more appropriate to recommend unit for demolition

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Fish	Temperature Range	Relative Humidity	Range Co	O2 Ran	ge # Occupants		
R-7E	72.3 <b>72 - 78</b>	51.7	<b>30% - 60%</b> 13	o - 60% 1391 Max 700 > Ambient 30			
Noticeable Od	or No	Visible water Visible micro damage / staining? growth?		Amount of material affected			
Ceiling Type	eiling Type 2 x 4 Lay In		No	6 ceiling tiles			
Wall Type	Homasote	Yes	Yes No		Various		
Flooring	12 x 12 Vinyl	Yes	No	Floor	Floor buckling/soft		
Ceiling Walls Flooring	Yes		, c	Corrective Action Re	equired		
HVAC Supply	Grills Yes N	o No					
HVAC Return (	Grills No Yo	Yes	Clea	n with Wexcide disi	nfectant		
Ceiling at Sup Grills	ply			Wall mounted uni	ts		
Surfaces in Ro	oom Yes N	No No					
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## Findings:

- CO2 level slightly elevated
- 6 wet ceiling tiles
- Dust and debris on HVAC return grill
- Moisture in walls 90% East wall just north of restroom, 25% East wall left side of whiteboard, 60% North wall left side of door
- 22% moisture content in floor floor is buckling and soft

### 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 roofing of all 6 units of R-7 for leaks and repair/replace as necessary and replace wet ceiling tiles
- Evaluate exterior siding of R-7 for water intrusion and repair/replace as necessary
- Evaluate all inteior walls for water damage and repair/replace as necessary
- Evaluate all wood flooring for water damage (buckling and soft) and repair/replace as necessary
- Evaluate and repair HVAC system to lower CO2 level

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