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**RE: Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) and Mold Assessment Services  
Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS)  
District Heights Elementary School  
2200 County Road #1344, District Heights, MD 20747  
Contract No.: IFB 022-19: Indoor Air Quality Services at Various Locations  
Tidewater Project No.: 5419-050**

Dear Mr. Baylor:

Tidewater, Inc. (Tidewater) is pleased to present this report regarding the results of the preliminary Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) and Mold Assessment Services conducted by Tidewater at District Heights Elementary School located at 2200 County Road #1344, in District Heights, Maryland. Tidewater's Project Manager and Certified Industrial Hygienist, Mr. Skanda Abeyesekere MS, CIH, CSP, CHMM conducted these services on January 28, 2021.

The scope of work for the IAQ assessment and mold survey included:

- Inspecting, taking direct read measurements and conducting air sampling at the following select areas of the school: Conference Room, Multipurpose Room, Principal's Office, Classroom 8, Kindergarten K-2, Media Center, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Classroom 7, Classroom 1 and Business Office. These areas were inspected for evidence of potential indoor air quality problems (including suspect microbial growth, water damage, chemical use/ storage, drain traps, sources of allergens/contaminants, etc.) that may contribute to indoor air quality problems;
- Taking direct read air measurements for comfort parameters including temperature (T), relative humidity (RH), carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) and carbon monoxide (CO) for comparison with standards established by the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE) Standard 62.1-2019, *Ventilation for Acceptable Indoor Air Quality*, and The United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS);
- Taking direct read measurements for Particulate Matter less than 10 microns (PM<sub>10</sub>) for comparison with standards established by the US EPA NAAQS Final Action (December 7, 2020); and
- Air sampling for microbial spores in the above locations for total airborne fungal spore analysis.

## **Visual Observation**

The school building was occupied by a limited number of staff, and no students were present at the time of the survey because of the on-going COVID-19 pandemic. The majority of the classrooms and other common areas inspected were vacant. The results of Tidewater's visual inspection are presented below:

### **Conference Room**

No signs of ongoing water-intrusion problems or suspect mold growth were observed in the Conference Room. Furthermore, no odors were detected. The ceiling-mounted air supply grills were clean and free of dust accumulations. The Conference Room appeared to be clean and well maintained.

### **Multipurpose Room**

No signs of ongoing water-intrusion problems or suspect mold growth were observed. Furthermore, no odors were detected. The wall-mounted supply and return air grills appeared to be clean. The Multipurpose room appeared to be clean and well maintained. Housekeeping appeared to be satisfactory.

### **Principal's Office**

No suspect mold growth nor notable odors were detected. A ceiling tile with a fire alarm was dislodged from the ceiling grid and was protruding outwards. The ceiling-mounted air supply grills were clean and free of dust accumulations. Housekeeping appeared to be satisfactory.

### **Classroom 8**

No signs of ongoing water-intrusion problems or suspect mold growth were observed in the classroom. Furthermore, no odors were detected. The ceiling-mounted air supply grills and return air grills were clean and free of dust accumulations. Housekeeping appeared to be satisfactory.

### **Kindergarten K-2**

No signs of ongoing water-intrusion problems or suspect mold growth were observed in the classroom. Furthermore, no odors were detected. The ceiling-mounted air supply grills and return air grills were clean and free of dust accumulations. Housekeeping can improve.

### **Media Center**

No suspect mold growth nor notable odors were detected. The ceiling-mounted air supply grills had dust and grime accumulations. The ceiling-mounted return air grills appeared to be clean. The Media Center was clean and well maintained. Housekeeping appeared to be satisfactory.

### **5<sup>th</sup> Grade Classroom 7**

No signs of ongoing water-intrusion problems or suspect mold growth were observed in the classroom. Furthermore, no odors were detected. The ceiling-mounted air supply grills and return air grills were clean and free of dust accumulations. Housekeeping appeared to be satisfactory.

### **Classroom 1**

No suspect mold growth nor notable odors were detected. The ceiling-mounted air supply grills and return air grills were clean and free of dust accumulations. Housekeeping was satisfactory.

### **Business Office**

No signs of ongoing water-intrusion problems or suspect mold growth were observed in the Business Office. Furthermore, no odors were detected. The ceiling-mounted air supply grills were clean and free of dust accumulations. The Business Office was clean and well maintained.

### **Comfort Parameter Air Testing**

During the IAQ assessment, Tidewater obtained temperature (T), relative humidity (RH), carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) and carbon monoxide (CO) measurements within select locations using a TSI VelociCalc Indoor Air Quality instrument (Model Number 9565-X, Serial Number 9565X 1945 002, Calibration Date: November 8, 2019.) Measurements were taken after allowing the instrument to become acclimated to the ambient temperature and relative humidity for approximately five (5) minutes. Measurements were taken over a 5-minute time period at each designated location and the average concentration was recorded. Samples were obtained for comparison with standards established by the American Society for Heating Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE) Standard 62.1 – 2019, *Ventilation for Acceptable Indoor Air Quality*. Tidewater also obtained an “outdoor [exterior] background” measurement in front of the main entrance of the school building for comparison to the interior readings. The results of the IAQ comfort parameter monitoring are provided in Table 1, in **Attachment A**.

According to ASHRAE Standard 62.1 – 2019, *Ventilation for Acceptable Indoor Air Quality*, the temperature range in summer months should be maintained between 73.0°F and 79.0°F for maximum occupant comfort. The ASHRAE standard for temperature for winter months is between 68.0°F and 74.5°F. The indoor temperature levels within the assessed areas on January 28, 2020 ranged between 59.4°F and 71.2°F. The background temperature outside the building was 45.3°F. The temperature levels recorded within the conference room, multi-purpose room, principal’s office and the business office were marginally below lower temperature standard of 68.0°F recommended by ASHRAE for winter months. Most areas inspected were vacant at the time of the inspection. Indoor temperature levels fluctuate with the number of occupants present within the work area. The temperature levels in these areas are likely to be within ASHRAE standards when they are re-occupied.

Per the same ASHRAE standard, a maximum relative humidity level of 65.0% or below, is recommended to reduce the likelihood of condensation on cold surfaces. Relative humidity levels within the assessed areas on January 28, 2020 ranged between 10.3% and 20.6%. The background relative humidity level outside the building was 20.0%. The relative humidity levels in all areas assessed were below the ASHRAE recommended maximum relative humidity standard of 65.0%.

ASHRAE Standard 62.1 – 2019 recommends that indoor CO<sub>2</sub> levels not exceed 700 ppm above the outdoor background CO<sub>2</sub> level. The CO<sub>2</sub> levels in the assessed areas on January 28, 2020 ranged between 446 ppm and 489 ppm. The background CO<sub>2</sub> level outside the building was 452 ppm. The CO<sub>2</sub> levels within all interior locations assessed did not exceed 700 ppm above the outdoor background CO<sub>2</sub> level of 452 ppm.

The CO levels in all areas assessed on January 28, 2020 were below the maximum standard of 9.0 ppm recommended by the Indoor Air Quality Association (IAQA) for CO in occupied indoor environments.



### **Particulate Matter Less Than 10 microns (PM10)**

During the assessment, Tidewater obtained PM10 dust particulate measurements within select locations using a TSI® DUST TRAK II™ Aerosol Monitor (Model 8534, Serial Number 8534170101.) Measurements were taken after allowing the device to become acclimated to the ambient temperature and relative humidity for five (5) minutes. Measurements were taken over a 5-minute time period at each sampling location and the average concentration was recorded for comparison with standards established by the US EPA NAAQS Final Action (December 7, 2020.)

Tidewater also obtained an “outdoor background” [Exterior] measurement at the main entrance of the school building for comparison to the interior readings.

The results of the particulate matter sampling are provided in Table 2, in **Attachment A**.

Based on the EPA NAAQS for Particulate Matter, Final Action (December 7, 2020), the 24-hour primary and secondary exposure standard for PM10 is 150.0 micrograms per cubic meter of air ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) or 0.150 milligrams per cubic meter of air ( $\text{mg}/\text{m}^3$ .) The results of the PM10 analysis indicate that the average PM10 dust concentrations in all assessed areas ranged between 0.000  $\text{mg}/\text{m}^3$  and 0.003  $\text{mg}/\text{m}^3$ . The average PM10 dust concentration in the background sample obtained outside the building was 0.002  $\text{mg}/\text{m}^3$ .

The PM10 concentrations in all areas assessed were below the EPA 24-hour primary and secondary NAAQS of 0.150  $\text{mg}/\text{m}^3$ .

### **Spore Trap Bioaerosol Sampling**

Tidewater collected spore trap air samples from the same locations where the comfort parameters were recorded. Tidewater obtained the spore trap samples using Allergenco-D cassettes affixed to a Buck BioAire™ Bioaerosol Sampling Pump (Pump Model Number B520 and Serial Number B153043) calibrated to a flow rate of 15.0 Liters per minute. Each sample was run for a period of five (5) minutes to collect a total sample volume of 75.0 liters of air. Tidewater also obtained an “outdoor background” [Exterior] sample in front of the main entrance of the school building for comparison to the interior readings.

Once collected, the samples were transported to EMSL Analytical Laboratory (EMSL) located in Beltsville, Maryland for analysis via a standard turn-around time. The samples were transported following rigorous chain-of-custody guidelines to ensure proper handling and delivery of the samples. EMSL is accredited in the American Industrial Hygiene Association (AIHA) Environmental Microbiology Laboratory Accreditation Program (EMLAP) and is a successful participant in AIHA’s Environmental Microbiology Proficiency Analytical Testing (EMPAT) program (Laboratory Number 102891.) The samples were analyzed via light microscopy at the standardized magnification of 600X. This technique does not allow for the differentiation between *Aspergillus* and *Penicillium* spores because they are morphologically identical. Additionally, the technique does not allow for cultivation, or the identification of spores to the species level, except in a few cases.

There are no universally accepted federal or State of Maryland standards for acceptable airborne concentrations of bioaerosols in an indoor occupational environment. In general, indoor airborne concentrations should be less than that found in the outdoor air, with similar species composition. Indoor spore counts significantly greater than those identified in the outdoor environment, or the



presence of large numbers of different types of spores identified in indoor versus the outdoor environments, may indicate contamination and potential indoor air quality problems.

The total mold spore counts in all assessed areas of the school ranged between 10 spores/m<sup>3</sup> and 490 spores/m<sup>3</sup>. The total mold spore concentrations in the background sample obtained outdoors was 730 spores/m<sup>3</sup>. The total mold spore concentrations in all interior samples were below the background sample concentration of 730 spores/m<sup>3</sup> (sample # DHES-BG.)

The concentrations of *Aspergillus/ Penicillium* spores identified in samples # DHES-1 (200 spores/m<sup>3</sup>) and DHES-2 (450 spores/m<sup>3</sup>) were higher than the concentration of *Aspergillus/ Penicillium* spores detected in the background sample # DHES-BG (80 spores/m<sup>3</sup>.) However, the fungal species observed in all interior samples were consistent with those observed in the background sample, and no significant concentrations of pathogenic fungal species were identified in the interior samples.

These results do not indicate elevated levels of airborne total fungal spores in the interior locations sampled, nor do the results suggest the presence of potential significant sources of indoor fungi in the interior locations sampled.

The summary of the results for the spore trap sampling are provided in Table 3 in **Attachment A**. The laboratory analytical results, including speciation and chain of custody forms for the spore trap samples are included in **Attachment B**.

## **CONCLUSIONS**

- The following issues were identified during the visual inspections:
  - Principal's Office: A ceiling tile containing a fire alarm was dislodged from the ceiling grid and was protruding outwards.
  - Media Center: The ceiling-mounted air supply grills contained dust and grime accumulations.
- The temperature levels in the conference room, multi-purpose room, principal's office and the business office were marginally below the lower temperature standard of 68.0°F recommended by ASHRAE for winter months.
- The Relative Humidity, CO<sub>2</sub>, CO readings and PM10 readings recorded within the assessed areas were within industry standards and guidelines;
- The total mold spore concentrations in all interior locations assessed were below the background sample concentration and were also consistent with those observed in the background sample. The results do not indicate elevated levels of airborne total fungal spores in the interior locations sampled.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

Based on the results of our visual inspection, Tidewater proposes the following:

- Fix the ceiling tile containing the fire alarm in the principal's office so that the ceiling tile fits snugly into the ceiling grid.
- Clean the ceiling-mounted supply air grills in the Media Center with a commercially available (EPA approved) disinfectant to remove dust and grime buildup.



- Adjust thermostat of the Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) System supplying air to the classrooms and common areas to achieve a temperature level between 68.0°F and 74.5°F recommended for winter months per ASHRAE Standard 62.1 – 2019, *Ventilation for Acceptable Indoor Air Quality*.
- Ensure the Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) System supplying air to all common areas and classrooms is properly balanced per design requirements and are turned on and are operating at all times to ensure adequate ventilation throughout the classrooms and common areas before the school re-opens.
- Maintain good housekeeping practices in all common areas and classrooms. All common areas and classrooms floors should be broom cleaned at the end of each day once the school re-opens for students. Furthermore, all horizontal surfaces including furniture and window sills should be cleaned on a routine basis to prevent the accumulation of dust.

**Qualifications**

Tidewater investigated the existing conditions in select areas of District Heights Elementary School located at 2200 County Road #1344, in District Heights, Maryland as they pertain to indoor air quality and mold contamination. Our conclusions and recommendations are based on observations made on the day of our assessment, laboratory data collected during the assessment, and information provided by the Client and the area occupants. Actual conditions vary from day to day throughout the year.

Tidewater appreciates the opportunity to provide Industrial Hygiene consulting services for Prince George’s County Public Schools. Please contact us should any questions arise concerning this report or if we may be of further assistance.

Sincerely,  
*Tidewater, Inc.*

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- Attachments: **Attachment A – Summary of Comfort Parameters, PM10 Particulate Dust, and Microbial Results**  
**Attachment B – Laboratory Reports and Chain of Custody Forms**  
**Attachment C – Instrument Calibration Certificates**  
**Attachment D – Relevant Certifications**  
**Attachment E – Floor Plans**



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**APPENDIX A**

**COMFORT PARAMETERS, PM10 PARTICULATE DUST, AND  
MICROBIAL RESULTS**



<b>Table 1: Indoor Air Quality Comfort Parameters District Heights Elementary School</b>				
<b>Location</b>	<b>Temperature (°F)</b>	<b>Carbon Dioxide (ppm)</b>	<b>Relative Humidity (%)</b>	<b>Carbon Monoxide (ppm)</b>
<b>January 28, 2020</b>				
Conference Room	<b>59.4</b>	489	20.6	0.0
Multi-Purpose Room	<b>66.3</b>	458	15.6	0.0
Principal's Office	<b>68.0</b>	446	14.6	0.0
Classroom 8	70.3	447	11.6	0.0
Kindergarten K-2	69.9	468	14.9	0.0
Media Center	71.2	487	115.6	0.0
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Classroom 7	70.5	455	11.2	0.0
Classroom 1	70.6	460	10.3	0.0
Business Office	<b>65.1</b>	447	12.6	0.0
Background (Outdoors)	45.3	45	19.0	0.0

\*Highlighted Areas indicate locations in which temperature levels were below the standards established by the American Society for Heating Refrigeration and Air Conditioning (ASHRAE) Standard 62.1 – 2019 recommended standards for winter months.





<b>Table 2: Particulate Matter Less than 10 Microns (PM10) District Heights Elementary School</b>	
<b>Location</b>	<b>Particulate Matter (PM10)</b>
	<b>Concentration (mg/m<sup>3</sup>)</b>
<b>January 28, 2020</b>	
Conference Room	0.003
Multi-Purpose Room	0.001
Principal's Office	0.003
Classroom 8	0.000
Kindergarten K-2	0.003
Media Center	0.003
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Classroom 7	0.000
Classroom 1	0.001
Business Office	0.000
Background (Outdoors)	0.002



Table 3: Spore Trap Sampling Results District Heights Elementary School				
January 28, 2020				
Sample Number	Sample Location	Sample Volume (L)	<i>Aspergillus Penicillium</i> Concentration (Counts/m <sup>3</sup> )	Total Fungi Concentration (Counts/m <sup>3</sup> )
DHES-1	Conference Room	75.0	200	200
DHES-2	Multi-Purpose Room	75.0	450	490
DHES-3	Principal's Office	75.0	-	10
DHES-4	Classroom 8	75.0	-	50
DHES-5	Kindergarten K-2	75.0	40	40
DHES-6	Media Center	75.0	40	120
DHES-7	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Classroom 7	75.0	-	90
DHES-8	Classroom 1	75.0	40	80
DHES-9	Business Office	75.0	-	80
DHES-BG	Background (Outdoors)	75.0	80	730

\* Highlighted Areas indicate locations with a significantly high concentration of Total mold spores and/ or *Aspergillus/ Penicillium* spores when compared with the background sample.



**APPENDIX B**

**LABORATORY REPORTS AND CHAIN OF CUSTODY FORMS**



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### Test Report: Allergenco-D(™) Analysis of Fungal Spores & Particulates by Optical Microscopy (Methods MICRO-SOP-201, ASTM D7391)

Lab Sample Number:	372101474-0001			372101474-0002			372101474-0003		
Client Sample ID:	DHES-1			DHES-2			DHES-3		
Volume (L):	75			75			75		
Sample Location:	Principal's Room Conference			Multipurpose Room			Principal's Office		
Spore Types	Raw Count	Count/m <sup>3</sup>	% of Total	Raw Count	Count/m <sup>3</sup>	% of Total	Raw Count	Count/m <sup>3</sup>	% of Total
Alternaria (Ulocladium)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ascospores	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Aspergillus/Penicillium	6	200	100	11	450	91.8	-	-	-
Basidiospores	-	-	-	-	-	-	1*	10*	100
Bipolaris++	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chaetomium	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cladosporium	-	-	-	1	40	8.2	-	-	-
Curvularia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Epicoccum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fusarium	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ganoderma	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Myxomycetes++	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pithomyces++	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rust	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scopulariopsis/Microascus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stachybotrys/Memnoniella	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unidentifiable Spores	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Zygomycetes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Fungi</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>100</b>
Hyphal Fragment	-	-	-	1	40	-	-	-	-
Insect Fragment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pollen	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Analyt. Sensitivity 600x	-	41	-	-	41	-	-	41	-
Analyt. Sensitivity 300x	-	13*	-	-	13*	-	-	13*	-
Skin Fragments (1-4)	-	2	-	-	1	-	-	2	-
Fibrous Particulate (1-4)	-	2	-	-	2	-	-	2	-
Background (1-5)	-	1	-	-	2	-	-	1	-

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Client Sample ID:	DHES-4			DHES-5			DHES-6		
Volume (L):	75			75			75		
Sample Location:	Classroom 8			Kindergarten K-2			Media Center		
Spore Types	Raw Count	Count/m <sup>3</sup>	% of Total	Raw Count	Count/m <sup>3</sup>	% of Total	Raw Count	Count/m <sup>3</sup>	% of Total
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Ascospores	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Aspergillus/Penicillium	-	-	-	1	40	100	1	40	33.3
Basidiospores	1	40	80	-	-	-	1	40	33.3
Bipolaris++	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chaetomium	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cladosporium	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	40	33.3
Curvularia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Epicoccum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fusarium	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ganoderma	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Myxomycetes++	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pithomyces++	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rust	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scopulariopsis/Microascus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stachybotrys/Memnoniella	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unidentifiable Spores	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Zygomycetes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Fungi</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>100</b>
Hyphal Fragment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insect Fragment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pollen	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Analyt. Sensitivity 600x	-	41	-	-	41	-	-	41	-
Analyt. Sensitivity 300x	-	13*	-	-	13*	-	-	13*	-
Skin Fragments (1-4)	-	2	-	-	2	-	-	2	-
Fibrous Particulate (1-4)	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	2	-
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**Received Date:** 02/01/2021

**Analyzed Date:** 02/03/2021

## Test Report: Allergenco-D(™) Analysis of Fungal Spores & Particulates by Optical Microscopy (Methods MICRO-SOP-201, ASTM D7391)

Lab Sample Number:	372101474-0007			372101474-0008			372101474-0009		
Client Sample ID:	DHES-7			DHES-8			DHES-9		
Volume (L):	75			75			75		
Sample Location:	5th Grade Room 7			Classroom 1			Business Office		
Spore Types	Raw Count	Count/m <sup>3</sup>	% of Total	Raw Count	Count/m <sup>3</sup>	% of Total	Raw Count	Count/m <sup>3</sup>	% of Total
Alternaria (Ulocladium)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ascospores	1	40	44.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Aspergillus/Penicillium	-	-	-	1	40	50	-	-	-
Basidiospores	1*	10*	11.1	1	40	50	-	-	-
Bipolaris++	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chaetomium	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cladosporium	1	40	44.4	-	-	-	2	80	100
Curvularia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Epicoccum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fusarium	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ganoderma	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Myxomycetes++	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pithomyces++	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rust	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scopulariopsis/Microascus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stachybotrys/Memnoniella	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unidentifiable Spores	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Zygomycetes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Fungi</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>100</b>
Hyphal Fragment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insect Fragment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pollen	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Analyt. Sensitivity 600x	-	41	-	-	41	-	-	41	-
Analyt. Sensitivity 300x	-	13*	-	-	13*	-	-	13*	-
Skin Fragments (1-4)	-	2	-	-	2	-	-	2	-
Fibrous Particulate (1-4)	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
Background (1-5)	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-

++ Includes other spores with similar morphology; see EMSL's fungal glossary for each specific category.

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Lab Sample Number:	372101474-0010						
Client Sample ID:	DHES-10						
Volume (L):	75						
Sample Location:	Outdoors						
Spore Types	Raw Count	Count/m <sup>3</sup>	% of Total				
Alternaria (Ulocladium)	2	80	11				
Ascospores	-	-	-				
Aspergillus/Penicillium	2	80	11				
Basidiospores	5	200	27.4				
Bipolaris++	-	-	-				
Chaetomium	-	-	-				
Cladosporium	4	200	27.4				
Curvularia	-	-	-				
Epicoccum	1*	10*	1.4				
Fusarium	-	-	-				
Ganoderma	-	-	-				
Myxomycetes++	2	80	11				
Pithomyces++	-	-	-				
Rust	2	80	11				
Scopulariopsis/Microascus	-	-	-				
Stachybotrys/Memnoniella	-	-	-				
Unidentifiable Spores	-	-	-				
Zygomycetes	-	-	-				
<b>Total Fungi</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>730</b>	<b>100</b>				
Hyphal Fragment	6	200	-				
Insect Fragment	-	-	-				
Pollen	-	-	-				
Analyt. Sensitivity 600x	-	41	-				
Analyt. Sensitivity 300x	-	13*	-				
Skin Fragments (1-4)	-	1	-				
Fibrous Particulate (1-4)	-	1	-				
Background (1-5)	-	2	-				

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# Microbiology Chain of Custody

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Company: Tidewater Inc		EMSL-Bill to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Different <input type="checkbox"/> Same <small>If Bill to is Different note instructions in Comments**</small>	
Street: 6625 Selnick Drive, Suite A		Third Party Billing requires written authorization from third party	
City: Elkridge	State/Province: MD	Zip/Postal Code:	Country:
Report To (Name): Skanda Abeyesekere		Telephone #:	
Email Address: skanda@tideh2o.net		Fax #:	Purchase Order:
Project Name/Number: District Heights ES		Please Provide Results: <input type="checkbox"/> FAX <input type="checkbox"/> E-mail <input type="checkbox"/> Mail	
U.S. State Samples Taken: Maryland		Connecticut Samples: <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Residential	

Turnaround Time (TAT) Options\* - Please Check

3 Hour  
  6 Hour  
  24 Hour  
  48 Hour  
  72 Hour  
  96 Hour  
  1 Week  
  2 Week

\*Analysis completed in accordance with EMSL's Terms and Conditions located in the Analytical Price Guide. TATs are subject to methodology requirements

**Non Culturable Air Samples (Spore Traps) – Test Codes**

• M001 Air-O-Cell	• M173 Allegro M2	• M004 Allergenco	• M032 Allergenco-D	• M172 Versa Trap
• M049 BioSIS	• M003 Burkard	• M043 Cyclex	• M002 Cyclex-d	
• M030 Micro 5	• M174 MoldSnap	• M176 Relle Smart	• M130 Via-Cell	

**Other Microbiology Test Codes**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• M041 Fungal Direct Examination</li> <li>• M005 Viable Fungi ID and Count</li> <li>• M006 Viable Fungi ID and Count (Speciation)</li> <li>• M007 Culturable Fungi</li> <li>• M008 Culturable Fungi (Speciation)</li> <li>• M009 Gram Stain Culturable Bacteria</li> <li>• M010 Bacterial Count and ID – 3 Most Prominent</li> <li>• M011 Bacterial Count and ID – 5 Most Prominent</li> <li>• M013 Sewage Contamination in Buildings</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• M014 Endotoxin Analysis</li> <li>• M015 Heterotrophic Plate Count</li> <li>• M180 Real Time Q-PCR-ERMI 36 Panel</li> <li>• M018 Total Coliform (Membrane Filtration)</li> <li>• M020 Fecal Streptococcus (Membrane Filtration)</li> <li>• M210-215 Legionella Detection</li> <li>• M025 Recreational Water Screen</li> <li>• M027 Mycotoxin Analysis</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• M029 Enterococci</li> <li>• M019 Fecal Coliform</li> <li>• M133 MRSA Analysis</li> <li>• M028 Cryptococcus neoformans Detection</li> <li>• M120 Histoplasma capsulatum Detection</li> <li>• M033-39 Allergen Testing</li> <li>• M044 Group Allergen (Cat, Dog, Cockroach, Dustmites)</li> <li>• Other See Analytical Price Guide</li> </ul>
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Preservation Method (Water):

Name of Sampler: Skanda Abeyesekere

Signature of Sampler: *Paula...*

Sample #	Sample Location	Sample Type	Test Code	Volume/Area	Date/Time Collected
Example: A1	Kitchen	Air	M001	75L	1/1/12 4:00 PM
DHES-1	Principal's Rm conference	Air	M032	75.0	01/28/2021
DHES-2	multi-purpose room				
DHES-3	principal's office				
DHES-4	classroom 8				
- 5	Kintergarten K-2				
6	media center				
7	5th grade (R or F)				
8	classroom 1				
9	business office				

Client Sample # (s): 11      Total # of Samples: 11

Relinquished (Client): *Paula...*      Date: 01/28/21      Time: 2:00pm

Received (Client): *Y. Yemont Drop Box*      Date: 1/29/21      Time: 2:50pm

Comments: *Chelun FX*      2/1/21      9:00



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Sample #	Sample Location	Sample Type	Test Code	Volume/Area	Date/Time Collected
DHES-10	outdoors	Asx	M032	75.0	01/28/2021
<b>**Comments/Special Instructions:</b>					



**APPENDIX C**  
**INSTRUMENT CALIBRATION CERTIFICATES**





# CERTIFICATE OF CALIBRATION AND TESTING

TSI Incorporated, 500 Cardigan Road, Shoreview, MN 55126 USA  
 Tel: 1-800-874-2811 1-651-490-2811 Fax: 1-651-490-3824 <http://www.tsi.com>

ENVIRONMENT CONDITIONS			<b>MODEL</b>	<b>9565-X</b>
TEMPERATURE	74.1 (23.4)	°F (°C)		
RELATIVE HUMIDITY	26	%RH		
BAROMETRIC PRESSURE	29.26 (990.9)	inHg (hPa)		
			<b>SERIAL NUMBER</b>	<b>9565X1945002</b>

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AS LEFT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IN TOLERANCE
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-- CALIBRATION VERIFICATION RESULTS --

THERMO COUPLE <sup>^</sup>				SYSTEM PRESSURE01-01				Unit: °F (°C)
#	STANDARD	MEASURED	ALLOWABLE RANGE	#	STANDARD	MEASURED	ALLOWABLE RANGE	
1	71.6 (22.0)	71.6 (22.0)	69.6~73.6 (20.9~23.1)					

BAROMETRIC PRESSURE				SYSTEM PRESSURE01-01				Unit: inHg (hPa)
#	STANDARD	MEASURED	ALLOWABLE RANGE	#	STANDARD	MEASURED	ALLOWABLE RANGE	
1	29.26 (990.9)	29.26 (990.9)	28.67~29.85 (970.9~1010.8)					

<sup>^</sup> Circuit portion of temperature measurement only, not including probe.

*TSI does hereby certify that the above described instrument conforms to the original manufacturer's specification (not applicable to As Found data), and has been calibrated using standards whose accuracies are traceable to the United States National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) or has been verified with respect to instrumentation whose accuracy is traceable to NIST, or is derived from accepted values of physical constants. TSI's calibration system is registered to ISO 9001:2015*

<u>Measurement Variable</u>	<u>System ID</u>	<u>Last Cal.</u>	<u>Cal. Due</u>	<u>Measurement Variable</u>	<u>System ID</u>	<u>Last Cal.</u>	<u>Cal. Due</u>
DC Voltage	E003299	06-06-19	12-31-20	DC Voltage	E003500	06-06-19	12-31-20
Temperature	E004626	01-09-19	01-31-20	Pressure	E003302	08-07-19	02-29-20
Pressure	E003303	08-26-19	02-29-20				

Rose Germain

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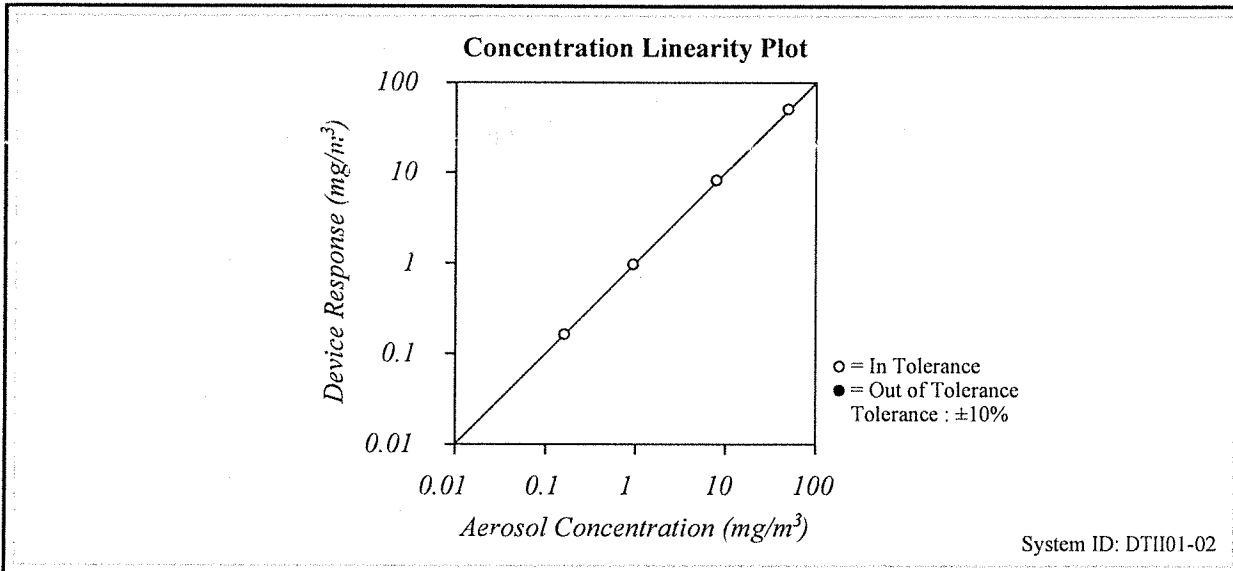


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Environment Conditions			<b>Model</b>	<b>8534</b>
Temperature	75.83 (24.4)	°F (°C)	<b>Serial Number</b>	<b>8534170101</b>
Relative Humidity	43.6	%RH		
Barometric Pressure	28.93 (979.7)	inHg (hPa)		

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FLOW AND PRESSURE VERIFICATION				SYSTEM DTH01-01			
Parameter	Standard	Measured	Allowable Range	Parameter	Standard	Measured	Allowable Range
Flow lpm	3.00	3.03	2.88 ~ 3.12	Pressure kPa	97.8	97.8	92.95 ~ 102.73
Full Flow lpm	N/A	4.54	>3.80				

*TSI Incorporated does hereby certify that all materials, components, and workmanship used in the manufacture of this equipment are in strict accordance with the applicable specifications agreed upon by TSI and the customer and with all published specifications. All performance and acceptance tests required under this contract were successfully conducted according to required specifications. There is no NIST standard for optical mass measurements. Calibration of this instrument performed by TSI has been done using emery oil and has been nominally adjusted to respirable mass per standard ISO 12103-1, Ai test dust (Arizona dust). Our calibration ratio is greater than 1.2:1*

Measurement Variable	System ID	Last Cal.	Cal. Due	Measurement Variable	System ID	Last Cal.	Cal. Due
DC Voltage	E003314	01-15-20	01-31-21	Photometer	E005612	08-19-20	02-28-21
Microbalance	M001324	10-03-18	10-31-20	1 um PSL	698880	n/a	n/a
3 um PSL	221853	n/a	n/a	10 um PSL	212455	n/a	n/a
Pressure	E003511	10-04-19	10-31-20	Flowmeter	E005140	01-09-20	01-31-21
DC Voltage	E003315	01-15-20	01-31-21	Photometer	E003433	09-15-20	03-31-21
Flowmeter	E005922	06-29-20	06-30-21	DC Voltage(Keithley)	E002859	06-15-20	06-30-21
Microbalance	M001324	10-03-18	10-31-20	Pressure	E005651	07-06-20	07-31-21
1 um PSL	698880	n/a	n/a	3 um PSL	206030	n/a	n/a
10 um PSL	212455	n/a	n/a				

David Farrell

September 24, 2020

Calibrated

Date

# Certificate of Conformance

Buck BioAire™

Buck BioSlide™

Serial number: B153043 Date Issued: 3-18-20

## Flow Calibration

The instrument listed above is in conformance with factory specifications and the flow is set to nominal using a BUCK Calibrator which is N.I.S.T. traceable to A. P. Buck, Inc. Calibration Procedure APB-1, Ver. 6.2.

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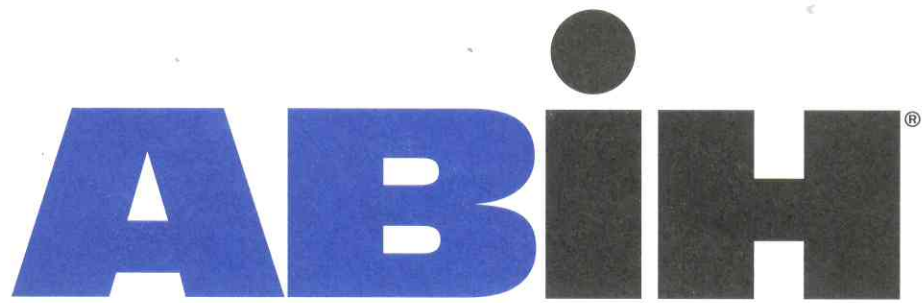
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**APPENDIX D**  
**RELEVANT CERTIFICATIONS**



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*Skandakumar Harshanath Abeyesekere*

having met all requirements of  
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ongoing maintenance,  
is hereby certified in the

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INDUSTRIAL HYGIENE**

and has the right to use the designations

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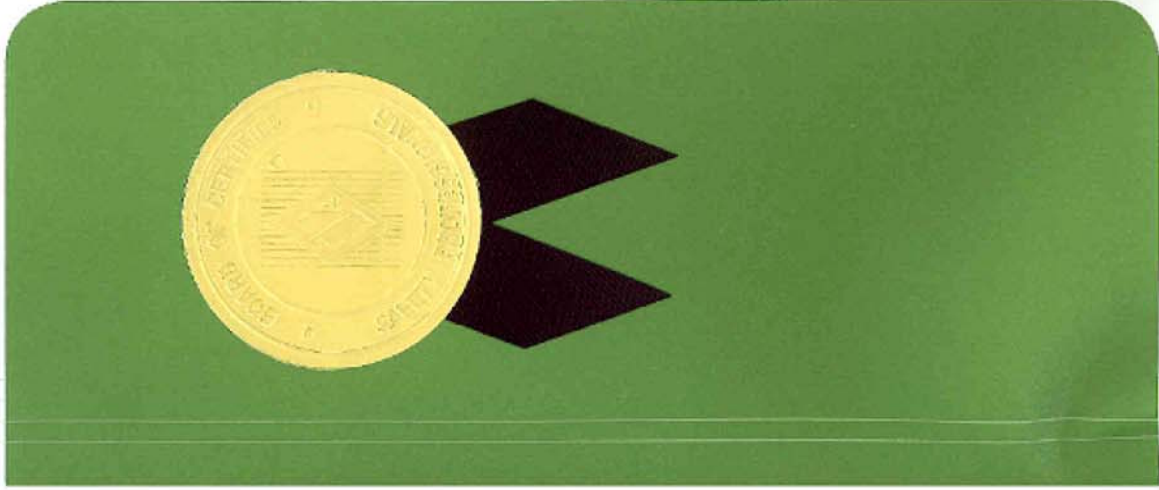
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Awarded:	May 11, 2011
Expiration Date:	December 1, 2021



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Chief Executive Officer, ABIH



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CHMM**



May 13, 2016

DATE OF CERTIFICATION

19053

CREDENTIAL NUMBER

May 31, 2021

CERTIFICATION EXPIRES

*M. Patricia Buley*  
ACTING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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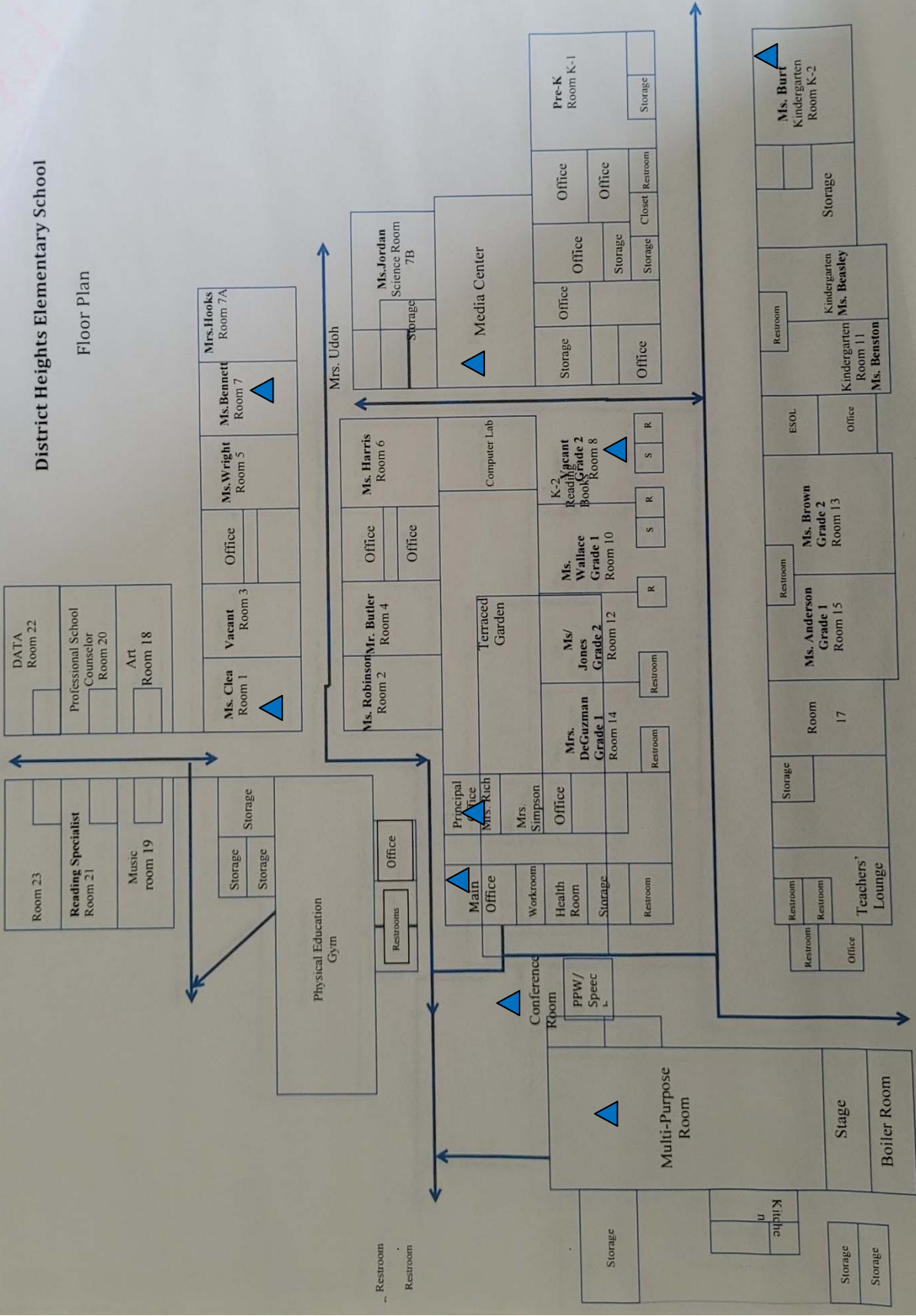




**APPENDIX E**  
**FLOOR PLANS**

# District Heights Elementary School

## Floor Plan



Scale: N/A

Project #: 5419 - 050  
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General Notes

▲ = Sample Location

### Attachment C District Heights Elementary School Floor Plan with Sampling Locations

