

DATE: February 28, 2014

**TO:** Robin Fry, Principal

**SUBJECT:** Polser ES - IAQ - Air Test - Room 200, 210 & Hallway outside 210

I received your E-mail on February 24, in regards to Room 210. When we looked at the rooms, you also had concerns for the Hallway outside Room 210, and Room 200. I have requested a P. O. to Air Test Room 210, Hallway outside of Room 210 and Room 200. Air tests will be done when the Temperature outside is above 60 and is not raining.

If you have any questions, please call me.

Thanks, Paul

Paul Siddall Maintenance Energy Auditor (IAQ) Facility Services Lewisville ISD 469-446-8882



**DATE:** April 4, 2014

**TO:** Robin Fry, Principal

**SUBJECT:** Polser ES - IAQ - Results report - Rooms 200, 210 & Hallway outside Room 210

On Monday 3/31, SWG Air tested the Rooms 200, 210 & Hallway outside Room 210. It is typically assumed that indoor spore levels in an area with filtered or air conditioned air, and activity levels associated with schools average 10% to 40% of the outdoor levels. Data from the airborne fungi sampling indicated that the total indoor concentration of mold/fungi in the Room 200, was 6.7%, Room 210, was 17.3%, Hallway outside Room 210, was 13.9%, of the outdoor levels. Utilizing this theory, the indoor concentrations are well within the acceptable guidelines for areas with filtered air or air conditioning. If you have any questions, please call me. Thanks,

Paul

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April 9, 2014

Lewisville Independent School District 340 Lake Haven Lewisville, Texas 75057 Attn: Mr. Paul Siddall

Re: Limited Mold Assessment Services

Polser Elementary School

Rooms 200, 201 and hallway outside 210

1520 Polser Road Carrollton, Texas.

SWG Project No. 0114H057

#### Introduction

Southwest Geoscience (SWG) conducted limited mold assessment activities for the Lewisville Independent School District (Lewisville I.S.D.) within Polser Elementary School located at 1520 Polser Road Carrollton, Texas (hereinafter referred to as the "Site"). The investigation was limited to areas of the Site identified by Lewisville I.S.D. as described below. The assessment was performed by Mr. Clint Jech, a State of Texas licensed Mold Technician (License #MAC0321), on April 9, 2014. SWG's mold services definitions and limitations are included as an attachment to this report.

## <u>Investigation Areas</u>

Lewisville I.S.D. identified the following physical portions of the Site as the target investigation areas ("Investigation Areas") for mold assessment: readily accessible areas within Classrooms 200, 201, and hallway outside 210 SWG's mold assessment services were limited to the Investigation Area(s) identified by Lewisville, I.S.D. Additional areas or portions of the Site were out-of-scope and not included in SWG's mold assessment or this report at this time.

### Scope of Work

As set forth in SWG's Mold Assessment Proposal (No. 0114H1098 dated March 4, 2014, SWG's scope-of-work was to provide visual and/or analytical mold assessment and related services in the Investigation Areas which included:

Visual Reconnaissance: SWG performed a visual reconnaissance of the Investigation Areas for visible indications of moisture intrusion (as indicated by staining or visible moisture) and/or suspect mold growth. SWG's visual reconnaissance only included readily accessible or visible portions of the Investigation Areas.

Suspect Mold Growth Sampling and Analysis: SWG collected limited ambient air samples for nonviable mold spores utilizing Air-O-Cell cassettes. "Air-O-Cell" refers to slit impaction air sampling cassettes manufactured by Zefon Analytical Accessories, St. Petersburg, Florida.

### Site Reconnaissance Observations/Findings and Recommendations

SWG's Mold Assessment Site reconnaissance was performed on March 31, 2014 by Mr. Clint S Jech. SWG's visual reconnaissance of the Investigation areas revealed the following:

## Temperature and Relative Humidity

Temperature readings collected inside the room ranged from 74.6 to 75.7 degrees Fahrenheit while relative humidity ranged from 37 to 39.3 percent. Temperature readings collected outside the building ranged from 73.9 to 74.8 degrees Fahrenheit while outside relative humidity ranged from 44.2 to 46.6 percent.



Relative humidity is a measure of the moisture content of air and is closely tied to the comfort of the office/workplace temperature. As with temperature, there are no regulations governing acceptable office/workplace humidity ranges. Humidity levels in the office/work place are not only related to health effects, but also have operational impacts on modern office equipment.

Workplace/office temperatures have historically been considered a subjective factor because the perception of uncomfortable temperature levels is specific to each individual. There are no regulations governing acceptable office/workplace temperature ranges, but significant research has been conducted which indicates that there are temperature ranges that are not only comfortable but also result in optimum performance. ASHRAE (American Society of Heating, Refrigerating & Air Conditioning Engineers) has published guidelines describing thermal environmental conditions that at least 80% of the persons who occupy that environment will find acceptable or "comfortable." Table I below explains the applicable limits and guidelines.

Table I								
Acceptable Ranges Of Temperature And Humidity								
Relative Humidity	Winter Temperatures	Summer Temperatures						
30%	68.5 to 76°F	74 to 80°F						
40%	68.5 to 75.5°F	73 to 79.5°F						
50%	68.5 to 74.5°F	73 to 79°F						
60%	68 to 74°F	72.5 to 78°F						

SWG utilized a Protimeter Moisture Measurement System (MMS) instrument (Model No. BLD2000) to measure and diagnose dampness in the drywall within random areas. The MMS is a battery powered handheld unit that is equipped with hydrostick probes to measure moisture content in wood, drywall and other and non-conductive materials. The device measures electrical conductivity of building materials and compares the conductivity readings to an internal, electronic standard reading for normal or "dry" materials.

Moisture content readings were obtained by pushing the moisture probe pins into surfaces. The measured values were then displayed on a colored scale depicting if the materials measured were normal (dry), higher than normal but not critical (at risk) or contained excessive moisture levels (wet). Based on the manufacturer's guidelines, the instrument measurement values are described below:

< 5%	Out of Range
> 5% but < 16%	Normal
> 17% but < 20%	Higher than Normal but Not Critical
> 20%	Excessive Moisture Levels

Moisture meter readings taken from the walls within the rooms were reported as 7% to 12% which is considered normal by the manufacturer.

### Air Monitoring Results

SWG collected three (3) samples from the interior of the building and two (2) samples from the exterior of the building. The microbial samples were analyzed by Steve Moody Micro Services, Inc. (SMMS) in Farmers Branch, Texas; SMMS is a State of Texas licensed mold analysis laboratory and accredited under the AIHA Laboratory Quality Assurance Program for Environmental Microbiology.

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Air testing performed using spore traps found that airborne mold spores in the room were considerably lower and were qualitatively similar to those measured outside of the building at the time the sampling was performed. Total fungal spore concentration within the investigation area range from 862 to 2,224 counts/m³, while the exterior level ranged from 5,973 to 12,851 counts/m³.

Three (3) types of mold were identified at a higher concentration within the investigation area as compared to the sample collected from the exterior of the building. Air sample(s) collected within classrooms 200, 201 and hallway outside 210 reported Pithomyces and Chaetomium as 7 counts/m³ while no exterior levels where reported, Curvularia was reported as 13 counts/m³ while no exterior levels was reported.

The American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) sets forth assessment criteria related to the "indoor/outdoor" relationship where the indoor air quality should be at or below that of outdoor air quality with regard to fungal spores (see ACGIH Bioaerosols, Assessment and Controls publication, 1999).

### Suspect Mold

SWG observed no visible mold during the assessment. No odors or excessive dust were noted.

### **Conclusions and Recommendations**

Based on SWG's limited assessment and the analytical results, it appears that the indoor air quality, as it relates to airborne fungi, was within recommended guidelines. If you have any questions regarding this report or if we can assist you with any other matter, please contact the undersigned at (214) 350-5469.

Sincerely,

Southwest Geoscience

Darren G. Bowden Corporate Director

Industrial Hygiene Services

Texas Mold Assessment Consultant

Lic. No. MAC0321

Attachments: Analytical Results/Chain of Custody

Mold Services Definitions & Limitations/Standard of Care and Reliance



Analytical Results/Chain of Custody

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Client: Southwest Geoscience - Dallas, TX Lab Job No. 14F-03828

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**Project #:** 0114H057 **Sample Date:** 03/31/2014

Sample Type: Spore Trap, Non-cultured Spore Trap Type: Zefon - Air-O-Cell

**Test Method:** Mold: ASTM D7391-09 - Standard Profile Page 1 of 4

On 4/1/2014, five (5) samples were submitted by Clint Jech of Southwest Geoscience - Dallas, TX (located at 2351 W NW Hwy #3321, Dallas, TX 75220) for Spore Trap, Non-cultured mold analysis. This report consists of three sections; a summary section, a data detail section, and an analytical notes section.

Sample Number	Volume (liters)	Sample Description	Identification	Concentration spores/cubic meter
1	75	Exterior, Northeast	Agrocybe	13
			Alternaria	227
			Ascospores	733
			Aspergillus / Penicillium	320
			Basidiospores	3093
			Cladosporium	1093
			Coprinus	80
			Diatrypaceae	120
			Myxomycete / Rust / Smut	240
			Oidium	27
			Torula	27
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Sample Number	Volume (liters)	Sample Description	Identification	Concentration spores/cubic meter
2	75	Exterior, Northwest	Agrocybe Alternaria Ascospores Aspergillus / Penicillium Basidiospores Cerebella / Monodictys Cladosporium Coprinus Drechslera / Bipolaris group Epicoccum Hyphal / Spore Fragments Myxomycete / Rust / Smut Nigrospora Oidium Spegazzinia Torula	27 866 813 200 2893 80 6372 40 240 40 733 93 27 387 13
3	150	Classroom 200 * See Analytical Notes report for further details	Alternaria Aspergillus / Penicillium Basidiospores Cladosporium Drechslera / Bipolaris group Hyphal / Spore Fragments Myxomycete / Rust / Smut	tal: 12851 27 20 367 127 7 287 27
			То	tal: 862

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Sample Number	Volume (liters)	Sample Description	Identification	Concentration spores/cubic meter
4	150	Classroom 210 * See Analytical Notes report for further details	Agrocybe Alternaria Ascospores Aspergillus / Penicillium Basidiospores Cladosporium Curvularia Drechslera / Bipolaris group Epicoccum Hyphal / Spore Fragments Myxomycete / Rust / Smut Nigrospora Oidium Pithomyces	7 87 47 20 787 507 7 67 7 580 67 7 27
5	150	Hallway outside 210 * See Analytical Notes report for further details	Ascospores Aspergillus / Penicillium Basidiospores Chaetomium Cladosporium Curvularia Drechslera / Bipolaris group Hyphal / Spore Fragments Myxomycete / Rust / Smut Oidium	2224 47 87 567 7 427 13 47 487 87 13
			Total:	1782

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Results may not be reported except in full. Data contained in this test report relates only to the samples tested. This report does not express or imply interpretation of the results contained herein. Interpretation should be made by a qualified professional.

Steve Moody Micro Services assumes no responsibility for the manner in which these samples were collected or handled prior to being received at this laboratory. SMMS assumes no responsibility for the qualifications of personnel performing sampling and/or interpretations of this data.

Rebecca Lutz Analyst(s):

Approved Signatory : Bune Sull Lab Director: Bruce Crabb

Thank you for choosing Steve Moody Micro Services

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Sample ID:		1			2			3		4		
Location:	Exte	erior, N	lortheast	Exte	rior, N	orthwest	Classroom 200			Classroom 210		
Debris Rating:	4			4			5			5		
Media Expires On:		Feb 2	015		Feb 2	015		Feb 2	015		Feb 2	015
Notes Included?:												
Volume:		75			75			150	)		150	)
	raw ct.	MDL	spores/m³	raw ct.	MDL	spores/m³	raw ct.	MDL	spores/m³	raw ct.	MDL	spores/m <sup>3</sup>
Agrocybe	1	13.33	13	2	13.33	27				1	6.67	7
Alternaria	17	13.33	227	65	13.33	866	4	6.67	27	13	6.67	87
Ascospores	55	13.33	733	61	13.33	813				7	6.67	47
Aspergillus / Penicillium	24	13.33	320	15	13.33	200	3	6.67	20	3	6.67	20
Basidiospores	232	13.33	3093	217	13.33	2893	55	6.67	367	118	6.67	787
Cerebella / Monodictys				6	13.33	80						
Chaetomium												
Cladosporium	82	13.33	1093	478	13.33	6372	19	6.67	127	76	6.67	507
Coprinus	6	13.33	80	3	13.33	40						
Curvularia										1	6.67	7
Diatrypaceae	9	13.33	120									
Drechslera / Bipolaris group				18	13.33	240	1	6.67	7	10	6.67	67
Epicoccum				3	13.33	40				1	6.67	7
Hyphal / Spore Fragments				55	13.33	733	43	6.67	287	87	6.67	580
Memnoniella												
Myxomycete / Rust / Smut	18	13.33	240	7	13.33	93	4	6.67	27	10	6.67	67
Nigrospora				2	13.33	27				1	6.67	7
Oidium	2	13.33	27	29	13.33	387				4	6.67	27
Pithomyces										1	6.67	7
Spegazzinia				1	13.33	13						
Stachybotrys												
Torula	2	13.33	27	2	13.33	27						
TOTALS	448		5973	964		12851	129		862	333		2224
Analyst	Rebecca Lutz			Rebecca Lutz			Rebecca Lutz			Rebecca Lutz		
Analysis Date		4/2/20	014		4/2/20	014		4/2/20	014		4/2/20	)14

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Sample ID:	5							
Location:	Hallway outside 210							
Debris Rating:	5							
Media Expires On:	Feb 2015							
Notes Included?:								
Volume:		150	)					
	raw ct.	MDL	spores/m³					
Agrocybe								
Alternaria								
Ascospores	7	6.67	47					
Aspergillus / Penicillium	13	6.67	87					
Basidiospores	85	6.67	567					
Cerebella / Monodictys								
Chaetomium	1	6.67	7					
Cladosporium	64	6.67	427					
Coprinus								
Curvularia	2	6.67	13					
Diatrypaceae								
Drechslera / Bipolaris group	7	6.67	47					
Epicoccum								
Hyphal / Spore Fragments	73	6.67	487					
Memnoniella								
Myxomycete / Rust / Smut	13	6.67	87					
Nigrospora								
Oidium	2	6.67	13					
Pithomyces								
Spegazzinia								
Stachybotrys								
Torula								
TOTALS	267		1782					
Analyst	F	Rebecca	a Lutz					
Analysis Date		4/2/20	)14					

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## **Debris Rating Key:**

- 0 No debris detected.
- 1 Trace debris.
- 2 Light debris.
- 3 Moderate debris.
- 4 Substantial debris.
- 5 Extensive debris.
- 6 Field blank.

 $NOTE: Debris \ defined \ as \ skin, \ fibers, \ pollen \ grains, \ insect \ parts, \ and/or \ other \ non-fungal \ particles.$ 

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## Samples Analyzed

Sample No: 3: Classroom 200

Notes: 25% Occluded.

Sample No: 4: Classroom 210

Notes: 40% Occluded.

5: Hallway outside 210 Sample No:

Notes: 30% Occluded.

## Field Blanks

No discernable field blanks were submitted with this set of samples.

## NOTE: All remaining samples suitable for analysis.

## Methods

Method: ASTM D7391-09: Categorization and Quantification of Airborne Fungal Structures in an Inertial Impaction Sample by Optical Microscopy.

Calculation: Spores/cubic meter = (Raw spore count)\*(MDL)

Note: MDL (Minimum Detection Limit) is calculated based upon 1 raw spore count.

Steve Moody Micro Services recommends two significant figures for calculated values based on ASTM D7391-09.

This report must not be used by the customer to claim product certification, approval, or endorsement by AIHA, ISO, or any agency of the Federal Government.

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	DUST (0500/0600)		Analyze Blanks Yes No BACTERIA
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ı	Exterior Northeast	75	T. 74.8 "H- 46.6 % #
2	Exterior, NOthwest	75	To 12.9 "H= 44.2 %
3	Classroom 200	150	T= 74.6 " H= 37.5 % M= 8-12 %
			Cassings = Ceiling Tilo
			While = Drywa W Hork Bound / 1411 Jib
			Houses Floor Sile Recomic Floor 5
4	Classroom 260	150	T=75.7 "H= 37.0 % N=8-12 %
			Ceisings = Cailley Tilo
			WHENE - Dryson / Cort Board
			Floors - Floor Tile
_5_	Hallway Optside 210	150	To 75.3 " H = 37.3 1. M = 7-10 %
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			Wolls - Wall Panels / Drywell

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Mold Services Definitions & Limitations/ Standard of Care and Reliance



### Mold Services Definitions & Limitations

"Mold" defined. Mold is a general term used to describe various types of singled-celled naturally occurring biological organisms occurring worldwide. For purposes of this report (and the Texas Mold Assessment & Remediation Rules), the term "mold" is broadly defined to include any living or dead fungi or related products or parts, including spores, hyphae, and mycotoxins.

Limited Scope of Mold Assessment. The scope of SWG's mold assessment services as reflected in the Proposal and this report are limited in that (i) they were physically limited to certain portions of the building structure (e.g., the Client identified Investigation Areas); and (ii) limited by accessibility to building materials or components within the Investigation Area(s). In contrast to a Limited Assessment" is a comprehensive assessment, which involves destructive sampling methods and the scope of the assessment typically extending to the entire building structure.

Time sensitive. Mold assessments are essentially a "snap shot in time," and the results are only relevant at the time of site reconnaissance. Because mold, when biologically active, is a living organism, its presence is influenced and controlled by environmental conditions. Mold assessments, therefore, are "time sensitive" in that the presence and concentration of mold and similar organisms in building structures or in the air is directly influenced by environmental conditions (such as humidity, moisture, nutrients and substrates), whether natural or caused by man, which conditions may vary significantly over relatively short periods of time.

Methodologies. Currently, mold assessment methodologies and protocols in Texas are governed by persuasive guidelines (rather than promulgated federal/state or local regulations). Presently, there is no data that supports a threshold limit or dose-response relationship for exposure to mold aeroallergens, individual pathogens, opportunistic pathogens and/or mycotoxins. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) and other non-governmental associations, have not yet established permissible exposure limits (PELs), recommended exposure limits (RELs), or other limit values for aeroallergens. Because no limit values presently exist, SWG will not and cannot represent that the site contains no harmful microbes, mold, fungi, or their metabolites, or other latent conditions beyond those identified by the limited scope of this mold assessment.

Findings limited. Findings from a limited mold assessment are limited because of the nature of the information obtained (e.g., visual reconnaissance of readily accessible areas of building structures, interview information, anecdotal information, and limited sampling data derived from one or more specific sampling events). SWG cannot warrant the accuracy of prior or subsequent information/data, reports and services performed by other firms at the Site. SWG assumes no responsibility or liability for errors in information or data provided by or through the client or third party sources. SWG's services are not to be construed as legal or medical interpretation or advice.



Moisture Intrusion Limitation. SWG performs mold assessment services and is not a moisture intrusion, HVAC, roofing, plumbing or building envelope specialist. However, during the course of conducting its mold assessment services, SWG will report observed areas of apparent moisture intrusion. SWG does not and will not investigate the cause or causes of such observed moisture intrusion. In the event apparent moisture intrusion is observed, SWG will recommend that the client contact a specialist (i.e., plumbing contractor, building envelope specialist, HVAC contractor, water intrusion specialist, etc.) to assist the client in determining the specific cause or causes of the moisture intrusion and remedial options.

Texas Licensing Requirements. SWG (and/or its personnel) will render the services set forth in this proposal in the capacity of a Texas licensed Mold Assessor. SWG is not licensed as a Mold Remediation Contractor and does not perform mold remediation. As of January 1, 2005, Texas law has required that Mold Assessors and Mold Remediation Contractors be licensed.

*Mold Remediation Certificate.* For mold remediation projects (above certain size thresholds), applicable Texas law (i.e., Texas Occupation Code Section 1958.54 and T.A.C. Section 295.397 (the Texas Mold Assessment and Remediation Rules), requires that a "Certificate of Mold Remediation" be issued by the Mold Remediation Contractor upon successful completion of the project. This certificate must be provided to property owners no later than the 10<sup>th</sup> day after the date on which the mold remediation is completed at a property. The Mold Remediation Certificate issued by the Mold Remediation Contractor must include a certification by the Mold Assessor that the mold remediation project has been successfully completed in accordance with the mold remediation protocol.

Be advised that SWG's issuance of a Mold Remediation Certificate upon successful completion of a Mold Remediation project does not mean, warrant or otherwise guarantee that mold will not be subsequently found in any portion of the Investigation Area or the Site. In the event that SWG is engaged to render services in connection with a mold remediation project, SWG will require *Client to provide to SWG a signed certificate prepared by Client's moisture intrusion specialist or appropriate contractor stating that all sources of moisture which resulted in the presence of mold in the Investigation Area have been fully remediated and corrected.* 

#### Standard of Care

SWG performed its Services in accordance with generally accepted practices of the profession undertaken in similar services at the same time and in the same geographical area. No other warranties, expressed or implied, apply to the Services hereunder or this report.

### Reliance

SWG's proposal for this project, services and this report have been prepared on behalf of and for the exclusive use of Lewisville Independent School District solely for their use and reliance in assessing the presence of mold in the Investigation Areas of the site. Lewisville Independent School District is the only party to which SWG explained the risks and limitations of the services and was solely involved in shaping the scope of services. Accordingly, reliance on this report by any other party may involve assumptions leading to an unintended interpretation of findings and opinions. With the consent of the client, SWG may offer reliance to third parties



or contract with other parties to develop findings and opinions related to such party's unique risk management concerns. Notwithstanding the foregoing, reliance by any and all third parties upon the proposal, the Services or this report shall be limited in the aggregate to all relying parties to the fair market value of the Services provided by SWG.