

September 12, 2019

APEX Project Number: SD8318-004

School District 83
5911 Auto Road SE,
Salmon Arm, BC

Attention: Glynn Warnica

Mould Air Sampling Results Letter

Project Address: Parkview Elementary - 605 Parksville Street, Sicamous, BC

Introduction

Apex EHS Services Inc. (Apex) was retained by School District 83 to conduct mould air sampling at Parkview Elementary School located at 605 Parksville Street, Sicamous, BC.

Scope of Work

Apex's scope of work included the following:

- Collection and submittal to a qualified laboratory seven mould air samples including four samples within the school, two outdoor reference samples and one field blank for quality control purposes;
- Preparation of this letter.

Methodology

The air samples were collected on September 11, 2019 by Hayley Uyeyama, *Project Coordinator* of Apex. Photographs of sampling locations are appended to the end of this report.

The assessor collected spore trap air samples using Allergenco-D impactor cassettes using a constant flow Bio-pump. The assessor calibrated the pump before and after each sample.

Spore trap sample analysis was conducted by Sporometrics Inc. located in Toronto, Ontario. Sporometrics is accredited by the American Industrial Hygiene Association (AIHA) Environmental Microbiology Laboratory Accreditation Program.

Mould Air Sampling Results

The results of air sampling for mould require careful interpretation. There are no accepted numerical criteria for indoor fungal spore concentrations. The accepted practice among leading authorities is comparison of samples in areas of concern with outdoor and/or indoor control samples. An acceptable condition is indicated when concentrations of airborne fungal particles are not significantly elevated when compared to concentrations in the control samples, and the types of fungal particulate do not differ significantly from those present in the control samples.

Mould air samples collected within the West corridor, Main Office, Northwest Foyer and Central Corridor were quantitatively lower and qualitatively similar to outdoor reference samples.

Sample results indicate that mould growth was not impacting on air quality at the time of sampling.

Laboratory analytical results are attached to this report.

Closure

This project was limited to mould air sampling only. No inspection of the building was conducted at the time of sampling.

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Terms of Reference
Mould Air Sampling Laboratory Results

TERMS OF REFERENCE

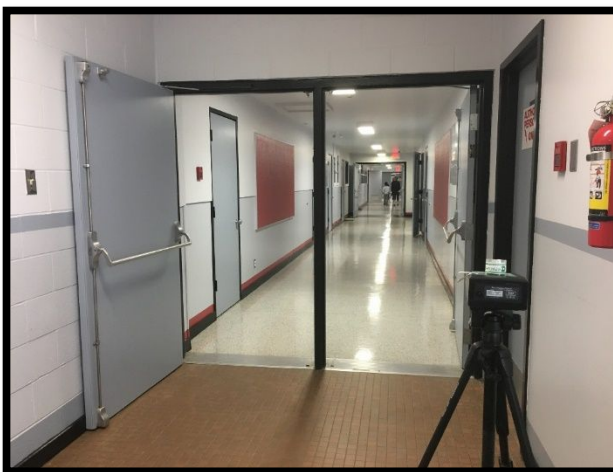
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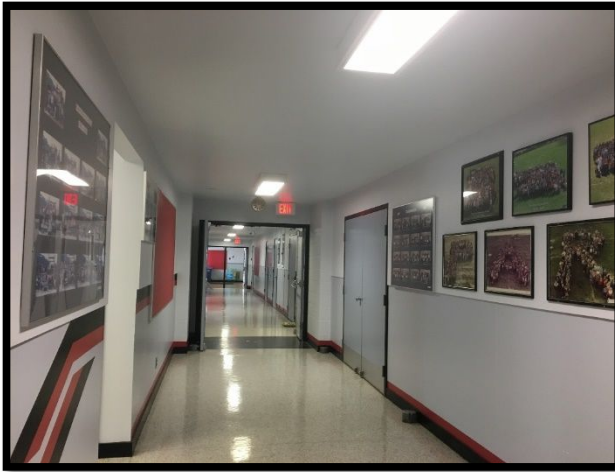
Mould air sample collected within the West corridor.



Mould air sample collected within the Main office.



Mould air sample collected within the Northwest Foyer.



Mould air sample collected within the Central Corridor



RESULTS OF LABORATORY ANALYSES:

JOB NO. 33045.00

To:	Jeff Widmer	Date of report:	2019/09/12
Company:	Apex EHS Services	Date of sampling:	2019/09/11
Client Project:	SD8318-004	Analyst:	Mike Saleh
Client Address:	1519 Keehn Rd., Kelowna, BC V1X 5T3	Date Received:	2019/09/12

SPORE TRAP SAMPLE NO.: ^a	3043444	3043432	3043441	3043449	3043439	3043437
Location:	West Corridor	Central Corridor	NW Foyer	Main Office	Outdoor (East)	Outdoor (North)
Serial #:	3043444	3043432	3043441	3043449	3043439	3043437
Expiry date:	2020/06	2020/06	2020/06	2020/06	2020/06	2020/06
Volume (L):	150	150	150	150	150	150
Magnification (x):	1000	1000	1000	1000	600	600
Background (rating)^b:	4+	4+	4+	4+	2+	2+
No. of transects enumerated:	10	10	10	10	1	1
FUNGAL IDENTIFICATION^c:	COMPOSITION (raw count) approx. elements / m³ ^d					
<i>Alternaria</i> NOS	-	-	(1) 44	-	-	-
ascospores NOS	-	(tr) tr	-	-	(5) 1300	(2) 530
<i>Aspergillus</i> / <i>Penicillium</i> NOS	(2) 88	(2) 88	(2) 88	(2) 88	-	-
basidiospores NOS	(103) 4500	(87) 3800	(60) 2600	(48) 2100	(137) 37000	(141) 38000
<i>Botrytis</i> NOS	-	-	-	-	-	(tr) tr
<i>Cladosporium</i> NOS	(2) 88	(2) 88	(2) 88	(2) 88	(2) 530	(1) 270
hyphal fragments, pigmented	(tr) tr	(1) 44	(3) 130	-	-	(tr) tr
myxomycete / smut spores NOS	-	(1) 44	(2) 88	-	-	(tr) tr
<i>Pithomyces</i> NOS	-	-	-	-	(tr) tr	-
rust spores NOS	-	-	(1) 44	-	-	-
SUMMARY DATA^e:						
TOTAL (raw count)	107	93	71	52	144	144
LOD (elements / m³)	44	44	44	44	267	267
TOTAL (elements / m³)	4,700	4,100	3,100	2,300	38,000	38,000

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Samples were received in satisfactory condition and tested in accordance with SOP 5.4.1.1.2 These results relate only to the samples tested.

^a Analysis compliant with ASTM D7391-09 *Standard Test Method for Categorization and Quantification of Airborne Fungal Structures in an Inertial Impaction Sample by Optical Microscopy*. Note that samples with excessive spore counts or background (4+ or higher) are unsuitable for ASTM compliant analysis.

^b Rating (amount of trace occluded with particulate matter): **0+** = no particulate matter detected, **1+** = >0 to approx. 5%, **2+** = approx. 5% to 25%, **3+** = approx. 25% to 75%, **4+** = approx. 75% to 90%, **5+** = >90%. Negative bias increases with increasing background rating.

^c Identification to genus level, taxonomic group or morphological category, where appropriate; **NOS** = Not otherwise specified.

^d Evaluated in Nomarski Differential Interference Contrast (DIC) microscopy; **tr** = observed outside of enumerated transects; - = not detected.

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SPORE TRAP SAMPLE NO.:^a	3043446	-	-	-	-	-
Location:	Blank					
Serial #:	3043446					
Expiry date:	2020/06					
Volume (L):	N/A					
Magnification (x):	600					
Background (rating)^b:	1+					
No. of transects enumerated:	10					
FUNGAL IDENTIFICATION^c:	COMPOSITION (raw count) approx. elements / m³ ^d					
<i>Alternaria</i> NOS	-					
ascospores NOS	-					
<i>Aspergillus</i> / <i>Penicillium</i> NOS	-					
basidiospores NOS	-					
<i>Botrytis</i> NOS	-					
<i>Cladosporium</i> NOS	-					
hyphal fragments, pigmented	-					
myxomycete / smut spores NOS	-					
<i>Pithomyces</i> NOS	-					
rust spores NOS	-					
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