APPENDIX A

Phase II Questionnaires and Other Data Collection Forms

Appendix A contains the following:

- 1. Facilities Questionnaire II
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- 6. Consultation with Facilities and HVAC Managers (Part 2)
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- 8. Superintendent Endorsement Form Letter
- 9. Introductory Letter to Principals
- 10. Study Brochure
- 11. Delaine Eastin Letter of Endorsement
- 12. A List of Monitoring Activities
- 13. Cover Letter to Teachers
- 14. Cover Letter to Facility Managers
- 15. Confirmation Letter
- 16. Thank You Letter

Dear Facility Manager,

Thank you for participating in the California Portable Classrooms Study. Your support is critical to the success of obtaining useful statewide results. Results from this study will be used to identify potential environmental problems, determine if and to what extent they occur, and make recommendations to resolve current and future problems.



The following questionnaire is designed to be completed by the school's facility manager, who may be in the district office. The district facility manager has been notified that he/she may need to assist the schools in completing the questionnaire. Section B of the questionnaire asks about the school site as a whole. Before completing this questionnaire, please review the instructions below. To fill in boxes, use a black ink pen or a #2 pencil to apply dark marks to the questionnaire boxes. Please do not fold this questionnaire.

After you have finished the questionnaire, please return it to the RTI technician visiting the school. If you have any questions about the questionnaire, please call Ms. Rebecca Premock, the RTI Project Coordinator, at 1-800-334-8571, Ext. 7468. Call before 2:00 pm Pacific time or leave a voice mail message.

FILLING IN BOXES: Correct Mark (Dark and thick) X It is important that you completely fill in (or make a dark X in) the boxes next to your answers and print clearly. **Incorrect Marks (Light and thin)** Listed to the right are examples of correct and incorrect ways to mark your answers. PRINTING NUMBERS IN BOXES: Write digits like this: 5 Print one number per box. Listed to the right 3 4 8 6 are examples of correct and incorrect ways to print text into the boxes. The numbers should Do not write digits like this: be printed with solid connected lines and should not touch or cross any of the box lines. Do not cross zeroes or sevens.

Se	on A. Respondent Information	1
PΙ	se fill in today's date (mm-dd-yy) Month Day Year I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I	21
1.	our job category: □ facilities manager □ assistant manager □ maintenance staff □ custodial staff □ administrative staff [⊐ othe
2.	our work location is: ☐ district-wide ☐ at this school only ☐ at several sites	
3.	ears you have worked at this school (in years): □ 1 □ 2-5 □ 6+	
4.	ay we contact you later to verify or clarify your responses, if necessary? ☐ Yes ☐ No	
5.	Yes, please enter the following: Phone number	
	-mail address:	
В.	chool Site Characteristics and Maintenance Practices (Fill in all that apply for the entire site)	
<u>Sc</u>	ol Site	
6.	ear of the school's original construction:	
7.	otal number of classrooms at this site: Portable- relocatable Permanent- traditional	
8.	uilding density near the school: □ Urban □ Suburban □ Rural	
9.	earby areas or typical activities (within 1/4 mile): (Mark all that apply)	
	toadways: busy intersection(s) congested streets freeways dirt or gravel roads serpentine road cover r	one
	Commercial: □ service stations □ heavy industrial □ light industrial □ truck route or depot □ rail route or depot □ rail route or depot □ rougriculture: □ livestock □ row crops □ orchards □ open fields with exposed soil □ none	none
		none
	Vaste facilities: ☐ sewage treatment ☐ municipal waste ☐ composting ☐ recycling ☐ none	
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HVAC Maintenance:
10. HVAC maintenance done by: <i>(Mark all that apply)</i> □ school staff □ district staff □ contractor □ none □ don't know □ not applicable
11. Where are maintenance logs for HVAC kept? <i>(Mark all that apply)</i> □ not kept □ on equipment □ paper files □ computer □ contractor □ other □ don't know
12. Typical thermostat setting during classes (degrees F): Heating Cooling
13. Are thermostats usually set back or shut down? <i>(Mark all that apply)</i> □ never □ nights □ weekends □ holidays □ summer vacation □ don't know □ not applicable
14. Daily start time of system on school days: □ when first class starts □ when teacher arrives □ 1-2 hours before classes start □ don't know □ not applicable
15. Regular inspection and maintenance: ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ not applicable —➤ If Yes, how frequently are the following items inspected and maintained (check one in each row)?
Outdoor air damper setting: ☐ monthly ☐ quarterly ☐ annually ☐ longer than annually ☐ never ☐ don't know ☐ not applicable
Coils cleaned: ☐ monthly ☐ quarterly ☐ annually ☐ longer than annually ☐ never ☐ don't know ☐ not applicable
Condensate pan and drain: ☐ monthly ☐ quarterly ☐ annually ☐ longer than annually ☐ never ☐ don't know ☐ not applicable
HVAC filter replaced: ☐ monthly ☐ quarterly ☐ annually ☐ longer than annually ☐ never ☐ don't know ☐ not applicable
Heat exchanger checked: ☐ monthly ☐ quarterly ☐ annually ☐ longer than annually ☐ never ☐ don't know ☐ not applicable
Other Maintenance Practices:
16. Frequency of usual custodial services for classrooms:
Trash removed: ☐ 5 days per week ☐ 3-4 days per week ☐ 1-2 days per week ☐ 1-2 per month ☐ <1 per month
Vacuumed, swept, and dusted: ☐ 5 days per week ☐ 3-4 days per week ☐ 1-2 days per week ☐ 1-2 per month ☐ <1 per month
Carpets steam- or dry-cleaned: □ quarterly □ annually □ >annually □ don't know □ not applicabl
17. General building maintenance and repairs are done by: (Mark all that apply) □ school staff □ district staff □ contractor □ none □ don't know
18. Number of building maintenance staff assigned to the school (full-time school or contract personnel): □ <1 □ 1 □ 2 □ 3 □ 4 □ 5+
19. Are you aware of the U.S. EPA's IAQ Tools for Schools Program?
☐ Yes ☐ No → If Yes, does your school use their kit? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ don't know
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Pesticides Practices: (For Questions 20 -23, mark all that apply)									46154
20. Types of pesticides used at the school:	□ lawn care	□ crack &	crevice	□ spray can	□ other	□ none	□ dor	ı't know	23
21. Regularly scheduled applications:	□ lawn care	□ crack &	crevice	□ spray can	□ other	□ none	□ dor	ı't know	
22. Routine applications done by:	☐ School stat	ff □ District	staff	☐ Pest contro	contracto	r 🗆 none	□ dor	ı't know	
23. Usual frequency of <u>classroom</u> application		☐ monthl years or mo		rterly □ ann 't know □ not	,				
24. Have you implemented an Integrated P	est Manageme	nt (IPM) pro	gram at th	nis site?: □\	′es □N	o □ dor	n't know		
Environmental Complaints									
25. In the last year, have major complaints	of environmen	tal condition	s been ma	ade for any cla	ssroom at	this site?	□ Yes	□No	☐ don't knov
If Yes, please check the numbe If No, Go to Question 26.	r categories be	elow for eac	h type of c	complaint for bo	oth portabl	e and pe	rmanen	t classroc	oms.
Type of Complaint Number	of Portable - R	elocatable (Classroom	ns Numb	er of Perm	anent -Tr	aditiona	l Classro	<u>oms</u>
Roof leak ☐ none	e 🗆 1 🗆 2-	4 □ 5-9	□ 10+	□ no	ne □1	□ 2-4	□ 5-9	□ 10+	
Plumbing leak or flood ☐ none	e 🗆 1 🗆 2-	4 □ 5-9	□ 10+	□ no	ne □1	□ 2-4	□ 5-9	□ 10+	
Air quality/odor ☐ none	e 🗆 1 🗆 2-	4 □ 5-9	□ 10+	□ no	ne □1	□ 2-4	□ 5-9	□ 10+	
Mold □ none	e 🗆 1 🗆 2-	4 □ 5-9	□ 10+	□ no	ne □1	□ 2-4	□ 5-9	□ 10+	
Temperature ☐ none	e 🗆 1 🗆 2-	4 □ 5-9	□ 10+	□ no	ne □1	□ 2-4	□ 5-9	□ 10+	
Noise □ none	e 🗆 1 🗆 2-	4 □ 5-9	□ 10+	□ no	ne □1	□ 2-4	□ 5-9	□ 10+	
26. Who responds to environmental compla				<u> </u>		ly)			
	health & safet	•							
☐ school nurse ☐ outside consultant	(industrial hyg	ienist) 🗆 (omer 🗀	none □ don'	LKIIUW				



Comments and/or Observations:		



TEACHER QUESTIONNAIRE II

Dear Teacher,

Thank you for participating in the California Portable Classrooms Study. Your support is critical to the success of obtaining useful statewide results. Results from this study will be used to identify potential environmental problems, determine if and to what extent they occur, and make recommendations to resolve current and future problems. Be assured that your responses will remain confidential and will only be reported in summary reports to government researchers.

Please complete the following two pages of this questionnaire. This questionnaire refers to your classroom, which has been randomly selected to be sampled for environmental measurements. Please review the instructions below describing the correct and incorrect way to fill in boxes. Use a black ink pen or a #2 pencil to apply dark marks to the questionnaire boxes. Please do not fold this questionnaire. After you have finished the questionnaire please return it to the RTI technician visiting the school.

If you have any questions about the questionnaire, please call Ms. Rebecca Premock, the RTI Project Coordinator, at 1-800-334-8571, ext. 7468. Call before 2:00 pm Pacific time or leave a voice mail message.

FILLING IN BOXES:

Correct Mark (I	Dark an	d thick)
	X	
Incorrect Marks	(Light	and thin)

PRINTING NUMBERS IN BOXES:

Wri	ite d	igits	like	this	:				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0
Do r	not w	rite	digi 4	ts lil	se th	nis:	8	G	N
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TEACHER QUESTIONNAIRE II

Please fill in today's date	(mm-dd-yy)	Month	Day	Year				
Please fill in room numbe	r/name:							
Your gender and curren	t age: □ male	□ female	yea	ars				
●Air: □ gend		le □ ofte le □ ofte le □ ofte	n too cold n too humid n too drafty	□ often too	hot dry stale or	-		
g	, ,	□ glar	e from lights	□ too much	n direct s			
3. Are there noises that ge	nerally disrupt t	teaching activ	ities in this r	oom? <i>Mark</i>	<u>all</u> that a	apply:	i.	
• Inside: ☐ none☐ ventilation		lighting (buz next-room v	,	□ other				
Outside: ☐ none☐ playground] mower/blow] traffic	ver	□ aircraft □ other				
4. Do you ever turn off the	heater or air co	onditioner in t	his room bed	cause of exce	ssive no	ise?		
□ never □ rarely	□ occasionally			most of the t				
5. Indicate if you have expe	erienced any of	the following	odors in this	s room. <i>Mar</i> i	k <u>one</u> fo	r eacl	7 :	
	never somet	times often						
Musty odor								
 Cleaning products 								
Bus/auto exhaust								
 New carpet or furnitur 								
Fresh paintCooking odor								
Pesticides								
Asphalt/tar								
 Tobacco smoke 								
• Trash or dumpster od								
Sewer/compostFire/smoke odor								
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TEACHER QUESTIONNAIRE II

6.	Have you observ	ed water	leaks, flooding,	water stains or v	isible m	old in this roc	om? <i>Mark <u>all</u></i>	that apply
	Leak or flood:Type:	□ never □ roof	☐ in the past☐ window	□ currently □ sink/toilet over	□ don't l erflow	know □ sprinkler	□ plumbing	□ other
	Water stains:Where:	□ never □ walls	☐ in the past☐ ceiling	□ currently □ window sills	□ don'	t know et/rug/floor	☐ furniture	□ other
	Visible mold:Where:	□ never □ walls	☐ in the past☐ ceiling	☐ currently☐ window sills		t know et/rug/floor	☐ furniture	□ other
7.	Are you aware o Bugs (ants, etc Rodents (mice	c.): \square	never □ i	in the past □	m? <i>Marl</i> curren curren	tly	oly:	
8.	Have <u>you</u> appliedSprays:Powders:Traps:	d any of th ☐ never ☐ never ☐ never ☐ never	e following pesing in the particular in the part	ast 🗆 curren	itly	rear? <i>Mark <u>a</u></i>	a <u>ll</u> that apply:	
9.	Do you feel the r If not, what do		·		•		l both	
10	. How would you ☐ excellent	generally □ good	characterize the □ adequa			quality in this	classroom?	
	Comments: If you n this study, plea					ironmental co	onditions, or	
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Classroom Form CA PCS Phase II

SECTION A. GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS OF CLASSROOM

A-1.	Technician Initials: PERSON THAT COMPLETED FORM.
A-2.	Today's Date://
A-3.	Start Time::_ am/pm CLASSROOM OBSERVATION BEGINS.
A-4.	Classroom Number
A-5.	Is Classroom Portable or Traditional?
	Portable 1 Traditional 2
A-6.	Classroom dimensions X X ft. (L x W x H)
A-7.	A. Classroom is on the floor of the building.
	B. There are floors in the entire building.
UPO	ON FIRST ENTERING THE ROOM, PROVIDE ANSWERS TO THE FOLLOWING: (BOTH TECHNICIANS SHOULD MAKE THE FOLLOWING OBSERVATION.) TECHNICIAN, PLEASE "SNIFF" AS YOU ENTER THE ROOM. RECORD IF ANY ODOR NOTICED AT ANY TIME DURING THE MORNING OR AT LUNCH TIME.
A-8.	Are there any noticeable smells?
	Yes $\dots \dots \dots$

A-9.	Can you identify any of the following smells in the room? (Circle all that apply)
	Musty odor 1 Air fresheners 2 Cleaning products 3 Bus/auto exhaust 4 New carpet or furniture 5 Fresh paint 6 Cooking odor 7 Pesticides 11 Asphalt/tar 12 Tobacco smoke 13 Trash or dumpster odor 14 Sewer/compost 15 Fire/smoke odor 16 Other 8 → Specify:
A-10.	List any major source of noise noticed at any time during the day. Specify time, source, duration and/or frequency.
	A. Time : am/pm
	B. Source
	C. Duration
	D. Frequency
A-11.	How many chairs are in the classroom? chairs. COUNT TEACHER'S CHAIR TOO.
A-12.	From what grade(s) are the students that occupy the classroom? (Circle all that apply)
	K 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 DK
A-13.	Which term best describes this classroom? (Circle one)
	General instruction classroom 1 Art Science lab 3 Ceramic studio 4 Library 5 Computer lab 6 Wood shop 7 Auto/metal shop 11 Music 12 Office 13 Other 8 → Specify:

SECTION B. THE CLASSROOM'S CEILING

B-1.	Suspended ceiling?
	Yes
B-2.	Condition of ceiling: (Circle one)
	Good (clean) 1 Fair (somewhat dirty) 2 Poor (dirty) 3
B-3.	With holes or missing panels?
	Yes
B-4.	Material(s) Ceiling made of: (Circle all that apply):
	Acoustic tile 1 Wood 2 Sheet rock 3 Other 8 → Specify:
B-5.	Number of Water Stains on ceiling
B-6.	Number of Mold Areas on ceiling
B-7.	Skylights
	Yes
B-8.	Number of Skylights
B-9.	Total size of Skylights ft x ft
<u>SECTI</u>	ON C. THE CLASSROOM'S FLOOR
C-1.	Condition of classroom floor (Circle one)
	Good (clean, maintained) 1 Fair (clean, worn) 2 Poor (dirty, worn) 3

D-2.	Condition of walls: (Circle one)
	Good (clean, maintained) 1 Fair (dirty, maintained) 2 Poor (dirty, needs painting/renovation) 3
D-3.	Are partitions used in the classroom?
	Yes
D-4.	Area of partition wallssq. ft
D-5.	Sliding partition used to separate classrooms?
	Yes
D-6.	Circle items below that are currently on wall(s): (Circle all that apply)
	Dry erase board/white board 1 Bulletin board 2 Dry mark board 3 Chalk board 4 Vinyl 5 Wall-paper 6 Paint 7 Wood paneling 11 Cabinets 12 Other 8 → Specify:
D-7.	Number of water stains on walls
D-8.	Number of mold areas on walls
D-9.	How many sides of this room have windows? (Circle one)
	One 1 Two 2 Three 3 Four 4 Other 8 → Specify: None 5
D-10.	What kinds of windows are in this room? (Circle all that apply)
	Windows up to door height (7 ft) 1 Windows up to 9 ft 2 Windows > 9 ft 3 NA 10

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D-11.	Do windows have blinds or curtains? (Circle one)
	Yes
D-12.	Do books or other items obstruct sunlight coming through the windows? (Circle one)
	Yes
D-13.	Sun glare problems? (Circle one)
	Yes
SECTI	ON E. CLASSROOM CONTENTS
Do you	currently see any of the following items in this room?
E-1.	Office equipment: (Circle all that apply)
	Personal computers 1 Photocopy machine 2 Mimeograph machine 3 Laser printers 4 Carbonless copy paper 5 Laminator 6 Other 8 → Specify:
	None
E-2.	Appliances: (Circle all that apply) Stove or oven 1 Lab burners 2 Refrigerator 3 Washing machine 4 Microwave oven 5 Other 8 → Specify: None 6
E-3.	Chemicals: (Circle all that apply)
	Cleaning products 1 Lab chemicals 2 Biological specimens stored in chemicals 3 Other 8 → Specify: None 4

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E-4.	Paints/pens: (Circle all that apply)
	Permanent markers or art pens 1 Oil/acrylic paints 2 Whiteboard markers 3 Chalk 4 Other 8 → Specify: None 5
E-5.	Glues/fluids: (Circle all that apply)
	Correction fluid 1 Rubber cement 2 Epoxy 3 Other 8 → Specify: None 4
E-6.	Air freshener: (Circle all that apply) TECHNICIAN, IF AIR FRESHENER PRESENT, ASK TEACHER WHY IT IS USED AND ADD TO COMMENTS SECTION.
	Plug-in deodorizer 1 Hanging freshener 2 Spray can
E-7.	Candles: (Circle all that apply)
	Scented candles 1 Unscented candles 2 Incense 3 Other 8 → Specify: None 4
E-8.	A. Air Cleaner: (Circle all that apply)
	Ozone or ion-generating air purifier \ldots 1 \rightarrow CONTINUE Portable air (filter) purifier \ldots 2 \rightarrow CONTINUE Other \ldots 8 \rightarrow Specify: None \ldots 3 \rightarrow GO TO Q. E-9.
	B. Brand Name of Purifier

E-9.	Are any of the following living items kept in this room? (Circle all that are present)
	Potted plants/terrarium 1
	Birds
	Rodents/mammals 3
	Reptiles/amphibians 4
	Fish 5
	Bugs 6
	Other 8 → Specify:
	None 7
NOTE	indicate the composition of furnishings in the classroom below. (Circle all that apply) THAT PRESSED WOOD = PARTICLE BOARD OR PLYWOOD TYPE MATERIAL. = NO ITEMS OF THAT TYPE.
E-10.	Table and Desks: (Circle all that apply)
	Solid wood
	Plastic
	Pressed wood
	Other
	DK
	None 5
	140HC
E-11.	Bookcases: (Circle all that apply)
	Solid wood 1
	Plastic 2
	Pressed wood 3
	Metal 4
	Other 8 → Specify:
	_DK
	None 5
E-12.	Cabinets: (Circle all that apply)
	Solid wood 1
	Plastic 2
	Pressed wood 3
	Metal 4
	Other 8 → Specify:
	_DK
	None 5

E-13.	Chairs: (Circle all that apply)
	Solid wood 1
	Plastic 2
	Pressed wood 3
	Metal 4
	Other 8 → Specify:
	_DK
	None 5
E-14.	Do any of the furnishings above appear new?
	Yes $\dots 1 \rightarrow CONTINUE$
	No
E-15.	Specify which furnishings appear new. (Circle all that apply)
	Table and Desks 1
	Bookcases 2
	Cabinets 3
	Chairs 4
	Other 8 → Specify:
E-16.	Pests and pesticide type items present: (Circle all that apply)
	Insects or insect parts 1
	Rodents or droppings 2
	Mouse traps or poison 3
	Insect baits 4
	Pesticide sprays 5
	Pesticide powders 6
	Other 8 → Specify:
	None 7
E-17.	Other chemical products in classroom or in cabinets/closets: (Circle all that apply):
	All purpose cleaner 1
	Glass cleaner 2
	Floor cleaner 3
	Polish 4
	Cleaning cloths 5
	Cabinets locked 6
	Access denied 7
	Other 8 → Specify:
	None 11

SECTION F. OTHER INDOOR FACTORS/OBSERVATIONS

F-1.	Lighting: (Circle one)
	Generally acceptable 1 Too dim 2 Too bright 3 Glare from lights 4 Too much direct sun 5
F-2.	Is there a Janitor's closet in room or adjoining classroom?
	Yes $1 \rightarrow \text{CONTINUE}$ No $2 \rightarrow \text{GO TO Q. F-4.}$
F-3.	Is there an air return in the Janitor's closet? TECHNICIAN, PLEASE CHECK RETURN AND CONSULT WITH HVAC TECH AS NEEDED.
	Yes 1 No 2 Access denied 3 DK 9
F-4.	Bathroom in room or in connecting room?
	Yes $\dots \dots \dots$
F-5.	Is there an exhaust fan or operable window in the bathroom? (Circle all that apply)
	Exhaust fan
F-6.	Are there any floor drains in the classroom, janitor closet, or bathroom?
	Yes

F-7.	Circle any items seen in the classroom, janitor closet, or bathroom that require plumbing. (Circle all that apply)
	Sink 1 Drinking fountain 2 Toilet/urinal 3 Access denied 4 Other 8 → Specify:
F-8.	Circle areas with evidence of leakage due to plumbing: (Circle all that apply)
	Classroom 1 Janitor's closet 2 Bathroom 3 None 4
F-9.	Visible mold on classroom item/furniture?
	Yes
F-10.	Visible mold in cabinets?
	Yes
F-11.	What is the approximate size of all mold areas on all surfaces (including walls, floor, ceiling, and cabinets) in the classroom? (circle one)
	A few spots 1 < 1 sq. ft. total 2 1-10 sq. ft. total 3 > 10 sq. ft. total 4 None observed 5
F-12.	Laboratory, industrial arts shop, or other special purpose room adjacent to the classroom?
	Yes

GO OUTSIDE TO COMPLETE THE NEXT SECTION

SECTION G. GROUNDS OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM/BUILDING

TECHNICIAN, SEVERAL OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE APPLICABLE TO ALL THREE CLASSROOMS AT SCHOOL. PLEASE COMPLETE ITEMS ACCORDINGLY, AND CONSULT WITH FM IF NECESSARY.

G-1.	Current or recent on-campus activity that may affect IAQ (including work that may not be in progress that day): (Circle all that apply)
	New construction 1 Major repairs 2 Cafeteria 3 Grounds keeping 4 Other 8 → Specify:
	_DK
	None 5
G-2.	Today's meteorology: (Circle all that apply)
	Clear 1 Rain 2 Snow 3 Fog 4 Overcast 5 Windy 6 Dusty 7
G-3.	Direction of prevailing wind today: (circle one with longest duration)
	North 1 Northwest 2 West 3 Southwest 4 South 5 Southeast 6 East 7 Northeast 11 None 12
G-4.	Are any of the following in school's vicinity (1/4 mile or less)? (Circle all that apply)
	Dry cleaners 1 Gas station 2 Industrial facility 3 Major Road 4 Bus/Truck Depot 5 Construction 6 Field/agriculture 7 Other 8 → Specify:

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Indoor 1 Outdoor, covered 2 Outdoor, uncovered 3
Walk-off mats in outdoor entryway to classroom/building? (Circle one)
Yes
What types of ground cover are found within 50ft. of the classroom/building? (Circle all that apply)
Dirt 1 Gravel 2 Grass 3 Concrete or asphalt 4 Other 8 → Specify:
Are these other activities or sources within 50 ft. of the classroom? (Circle all that apply)
Parking lot or roadway 1 Loading dock 2 Flue exhaust 3 Dumpster 4 Custodial room 5 Bathroom 6 Art room 7 Shop 11 Cafeteria 12 Science lab 13 None 14
ON H. OUTDOOR CHARACTERISTICS OF THE CLASSROOM/BUILDING
Is the floor level of sampled classroom? (Circle one)
Below grade

H-2.	Type of building foundation. (Circle all that apply)
	Below grade
H-3.	If raised floor, type of ground cover. (Circle one)
	Dirt 1 Gravel 2 Plastic 3 Concrete and asphalt 4 Other 8 → Specify:
H-4.	If raised floor, inches above ground. (Circle one)
	<6
H-5.	If raised floor, number of outside air vents
H-6.	If Portable, height of foundation skirt from ground (inches): (Circle one)
	0 (on ground) 1 <2" 2 2-6" 3 6-12" 4 >12" 5 NA 10
H-7.	Type of roof: (Circle one)
	Membrane 1 Composite shingle or roll 2 Shake 3 Metal 4 Tar/gravel 5 Other 8 → Specify: DK 9
H-8.	Roof pitch (Circle one)
	Flat

H-9.	If portable, number of inches roof overhang on side with greatest overhang. (Circle one)
	0-6"
H-10.	If portable, number of inches roof overhang on side with least overhang. (Circle one)
	0-6" 1 7"-12" 2 13-24" 3 >24" 4 NA 10
Exter	ior Walls
H-11.	Wall Condition: (Circle one)
	Good (clean, maintained)
H-12.	Material(s): (Circle all that apply)
	Wood 1 Panel board 2 Stucco 3 Rock 4 Masonry 5 Concrete 6 Siding 7 Metal 11 Other 8 → Specify:
H-13.	Number of water stains on wall(s):
H-14.	Number of mold areas on wall(s):
H-15.	What is the approximate size of all mold areas on external walls of classroom/building? (Circle one)
	A few spots

H-16.	Items seen on wall(s): (Circle all that apply)
	Graffiti 1 Chipped or peeling paint 2 Algae 3 Moss 4 Plant growth 5 Other 8 → Specify: None 6
H-17.	Do lawn sprinklers spray the outside wall(s)? (Circle one)
	Yes
H-18.	Signs of leakage or overflow from gutters? (Circle one)
	Yes
H-19.	Location of gutter downspouts (average distance from foundation): (Circle one)
	< 2 feet
SECTION I. OTHER OBSERVATIONS	
IF ANS	SWER IS NOT APPARENT, TECHNICIAN MAY NEED TO ASK CLASSROOM TEACHER.
I-1.	Did the same students stay in the classroom, or did they change each class period?
	Yes, stayed1 No, changed2
I-2.	Were there any windows open today?
	Yes $\dots 1 \rightarrow \text{CONTINUE}$ No $\dots 2 \rightarrow \text{GO TO Q. I-4.}$
I-3.	How many windows were open today?

I-4.	Is there an outside door to the room?
	Yes $\dots 1 \rightarrow \text{CONTINUE}$ No $\dots 2 \rightarrow \text{GO TO Q. I-6.}$
I-5.	How many doors open to outside?
I-6.	Was any classroom door(s) left open today? (During class or change of classes, etc.)
	Yes
I-7.	Try to find out how often the floors in the room are swept, vacuumed, or wet washed. (Circle one)
	Daily 1 2-3/week 2 Weekly 3 1-2/month 4 Less than 1/month 5 DK 9
I-8.	What type of vacuum cleaner is used in the room? (Circle one)
	Beater brush/powerhead 1 HEPA/special filter 2 Canister only 3 "Dust sensor?" 4 Other 8 → Specify:
	DK 9
I-9.	End Time::_ am/pm CLASSROOM OBSERVATION ENDS.
I-10.	Provide additional comments or observations in space below.

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SECTION A. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

		Classroom #1	Classroom #2	Classroom #3
A-1.	Classroom Number			
A-2.	Portable Classroom?	Yes 1 No 2	Yes 1 No 2	Yes 1 No 2
A-3.	Today's Date:	//	//	//
A-4.	Start Time: (TIME OBSERVATION BEGINS)	: am/pm	: am/pm	: am/pm
A-5.	Technician Initials: (PERSON THAT COMPLETED FORM.)			
A-6.	Name(s) of person(s) responsible for HVAC repair and maintenance:	A B	A. B.	A B
A-7.	Title of above Person(s)	A B	A. B.	A
A-8.	Contractor?	Yes 1 No 2	Yes 1 No 2	Yes 1 No 2
A-9.	A. HVAC Maintenance Person's Telephone No.	() EXT	() EXT	() EXT
	B. Email address			
(Note	, if two people are responsible for re	pair and/or maintenance, obtain r	names and phone numbers for both,)

SECTION B. CLASSROOM MEASUREMENTS

TECHNICIAN, PLEASE GO INTO CLASSROOM AND TAKE THE FOLLOWING MEASUREMENTS.

	Classroom #1	Classroom #2	Classroom #3
B-1. Monitor Numbers	A. HOBO (motor sensor)	A. HOBO (motor sensor)	A. HOBO (motor sensor)
	B. Light C. Moisture D. Decibel E. Qtrak	B. Light C. Moisture D. Decibel E. Qtrak	B. Light C. Moisture D. Decibel E. Qtrak
B-2. HVAC Mode during measurements:	Heating 1 Cooling 2 Fan only 3 DK 9 NA 10	Heating 1 Cooling 2 Fan only 3 DK 9 NA 10	Heating 1 Cooling 2 Fan only 3 DK 9 NA 10
B-3. Temperatures of AHU (Degrees F)	A. Current Time:::	A. Current Time:::	A. Current Time:::
(Degrees 1)	B. Supply air degrees	B. Supply air degrees	B. Supply air degrees
	C. Room air degrees	C. Room air degrees	C. Room air degrees
	D. Return air degrees	D. Return air degrees	D. Return air degrees
	E. Outdoor air degrees	E. Outdoor air degrees	E. Outdoor air degrees

	Classroom #1	Classroom #2	Classroom #3
B-4. Air Flow Measurements (Hood)	A. Current Time::_ am/pm	A. Current Time::_ am/pm	A. Current Time::_ am/pm
	B. Outdoor air cfm	B. Outdoor air cfm	B. Outdoor air cfm
	C. Return air cfm	C. Return air cfm	C. Return air cfm
	D. Supply aircfm	D. Supply aircfm	D. Supply aircfm
	E. In room air cfm	E. In room air cfm	E. In room air cfm
B-5. Wall Moisture sensor reading:(%) (Take in location with mold or water stains, otherwise, take in center of wall, and under window, if present.	A. Wall 1: Location 1: B. Wall 2:	A. Wall 1: Location 1: B. Wall 2:	A. Wall 1: Location 1: B. Wall 2:
Obtain sensor reading on floor and ceiling if mold/water stains.)	Location 2:	Location 2:	B. Wall 2: Location 2:
Indicate location moisture reading taken by writing mold, water stain, center of wall, under window or	C. Wall 3: Location 3:	C. Wall 3:	C. Wall 3: Location 3:
other, beside "Location" entry.	D. Wall 4: Location 4:	D. Wall 4: Location 4:	D. Wall 4: Location 4:
	E. Floor 5: Location 5:	E. Floor 5:	E. Floor 5:
	F. Ceiling 6: Location 6:	F. Ceiling 6: Location 6:	F. Ceiling 6: Location 6:
	Comments	Comments	Comments

		Classroom #1	Classroom #2	Classroom #3
B-6.	Light Measurements (Take at least 3 readings, one at desk	A. Current Time::_ am/pm	A. Current Time::_ am/pm	A. Current Time::_ am/pm
	near window, one in the center of the room, and one on the far side.)	B. Near Windows Reading	B. Near Windows Reading	B. Near Windows Reading
		C. Middle Reading	C. Middle Reading	C. Middle Reading
		D. Far Reading	D. Far Reading	D. Far Reading
B-7.	Noise Reading (dBA) Obtain noise re each table below, one in the center of re room with HVAC running. Take one re noisiest exterior wall, any major outdoo of reading.	oom, and one 10 ft. away from return reading outside of the classroom on the	register. If there is no return register, e noisiest side for each table below. A	take reading in noisiest area of dd notes to comment section for
	A. HVAC ON — Measurement 1	Current Time::_ am/pm	Current Time::_ am/pm	Current Time::_ am/pm
	Location: Indoor-Center	Readings:	Readings:	Readings:
	Indoor-Register/noisy area			
	Out —			
		Comments	Comments	Comments

	Classroom #1	Classroom #2	Classroom #3
B. HVAC ON — Measurement 2	Current Time::_ am/pm	Current Time::_ am/pm	Current Time::_ am/pm
Location: Indoor-Center——-	Readings:	Readings:	Readings:
Indoor-Register/noisy area ——-			
Out —	Comments	Comments	Comments
C. HVAC OFF — Measurement 1	Current Time::_ am/pm	Current Time::_ am/pm	Current Time::_ am/pm
Location: Indoor-Center —	Readings:	Readings:	Readings:
Indoor-Register/noisy area ——			
Out —			
	Comments	Comments	Comments

	Classroom #1	Classroom #2	Classroom #3
D. HVAC OFF — Measurement 2	Current Time::_ am/pm	Current Time::_ am/pm	Current Time::_ am/pm
Location: Indoor-Center ————————————————————————————————————	Readings:	Readings:	Readings:
Indoor-Register/noisy area ——			
Out ———			
	Comments	Comments	Comments

SECTION C. HVAC SYSTEM TYPE

TECHNICIAN, IDENTIFY THE PRIMARY HVAC SYSTEM (MOST FREQUENTLY USED) USED IN THE CLASSROOM AND ANSWER QUESTIONS BELOW. CONSULT THE FM AS NEEDED.

	Classroom #1	Classroom #2	Classroom #3
C-1. Is there a secondary HVAC system also being used? TECHNICIAN, FOR THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS, THE SECONDARY SYSTEM WILL BE USED LESS OFTEN THAN THE PRIMARY SYSTEM AND CAN INCLUDE WINDOW AC UNITS.	No $2 \rightarrow$ SKIP TO Q. C-4.	Yes $1 \rightarrow CONTINUE$ No $2 \rightarrow SKIP TO Q. C-4.$ DK $3 \rightarrow SKIP TO Q. C-4.$	Yes $1 \rightarrow CONTINUE$ No $2 \rightarrow SKIP TO Q. C-4.$ DK $3 \rightarrow SKIP TO Q. C-4.$

		Classroom #1	Classroom #2	Classroom #3
C-2.	How often is the secondary HVAC system used? (Circle one):	1-9% of time	1-9% of time	1-9% of time
C-3.	Location of AHU for secondary HVAC Unit (Circle one)	Wall 1 Window 2 Rooftop 3 Other 8 Specify:	Wall 1 Window 2 Rooftop 3 Other 8 Specify:	Wall 1 Window 2 Rooftop 3 Other 8 Specify:
		NA10	NA 10	NA10
END	OF QUESTIONS ON SECONDARY	HVAC SYSTEM.		
C-4.	Location of Air Handling Unit (AHU) for primary HVAC Unit (Circle one)	Wall 1 Window 2 Rooftop 3 Other 8 Specify:	Wall 1 Window 2 Rooftop 3 Other 8 Specify:	Wall 1 Window 2 Rooftop 3 Other 8 Specify:
		NA10	NA10	NA10
C-5.	Type of main heating system for primary system: (Circle one)	Forced air 1 Radiant 2 Heat pump 3 Other 8 Specify:	Forced air 1 Radiant 2 Heat pump 3 Other 8 Specify:	Forced air 1 Radiant 2 Heat pump 3 Other 8 Specify:
		DK 9 NA 10	DK	DK

		Classroom #1	Classroom #2	Classroom #3
C-6.	Heating fuel or energy type for primary system: (Circle one)	Electric 1 Natural gas 2 Propane 3 Solid Fuel 4 Solar 5 Other 8 Specify: 8	Electric 1 Natural gas 2 Propane 3 Solid Fuel 4 Solar 5 Other 8 Specify:	Electric 1 Natural gas 2 Propane 3 Solid Fuel 4 Solar 5 Other 8 Specify: 8
		DK	DK	DK
C-7.	Primary system's energy rating (SEER)	DK999	DK999	DK999
C-8.	Type of primary cooling system: (Circle one)	Central AC 1 Window AC 2 Swamp 3 Other 8 Specify:	Central AC 1 Window AC 2 Swamp 3 Other 8 Specify:	Central AC 1 Window AC 2 Swamp 3 Other 8 Specify:
		DK	DK	DK
C-9.	Name of manufacturer (primary HVAC unit)			
C-10.	Model Number (primary HVAC unit)			
C-11.	Year built (primary HVAC unit):			
C-12.	If the system is being operated today, what is current temperature setting on the thermostat?	degrees F DK99 NA10	degrees F DK99 NA10	degrees F DK99 NA10

	Classroom #1	Classroom #2	Classroom #3
C-13. Type of return air systems: (Circle all that apply) DUCTED REFERS TO SYSTEM WITH REGISTER FAR AWAY FROM AHU BUT ANOTHER RETURN COULD BE FOUND AT THE AHU.	Wall register 1 Open plenum 2 Ducted 3 Other 8 Specify:	Wall register 1 Open plenum 2 Ducted 3 Other 8 Specify: DK DK 9 NA 10	Wall register 1 Open plenum 2 Ducted 3 Other 8 Specify: DK DK 9 NA 10
C-14. Number of return vent registers			
C-15. Return vent registers clean? (Include nearby surfaces) (Circle one)	Clean 1 Some dirt or dust 2 Very dirty 3 DK 9 NA 10	Clean 1 Some dirt or dust 2 Very dirty 3 DK 9 NA 10	Clean Some dirt or dust Very dirty DK NA 10
C-16. Number of supply vent registers			
C-17. Supply vent registers clean? (Include nearby surfaces) (Circle one)	Clean 1 Some dirt or dust 2 Very dirty 3 DK 9 NA 10	Clean 1 Some dirt or dust 2 Very dirty 3 DK 9 NA 10	Clean Some dirt or dust Very dirty DK NA 10
C-18. For all vents , how many are blocked? (Circle one)	11 22 33 4 or more. 4 DK9 \rightarrow SKIP TO Q. D-1. NA10 \rightarrow SKIP TO Q. D-1. None5 \rightarrow SKIP TO Q. D-1.	11 22 33 4 or more. 4 DK9 \rightarrow SKIP TO Q. D-1. NA10 \rightarrow SKIP TO Q. D-1. None5 \rightarrow SKIP TO Q. D-1.	11 22 33 4 or more. 4 DK9 \rightarrow SKIP TO Q. D-1. NA10 \rightarrow SKIP TO Q. D-1. None5 \rightarrow SKIP TO Q. D-1.

	Classroom #1	Classroom #2	Classroom #3
C-19. Grills or registers are blocked by: (Circle all that apply)	Furniture 1 Paper 2 Other 8 Specify:	Furniture 1 Paper 2 Other 8 Specify:	Furniture 1 Paper 2 Other 8 Specify:

SECTION D. AUXILIARY EQUIPMENT

		Classroom #1	Classroom #2	Classroom #3
D-1.	Portable space heaters observed in classroom (Circle all that apply):	Electric 1 Gas 2 Propane 3 Kerosene 4 Solid fuel 5 Other 8 Specify:	Electric 1 Gas 2 Propane 3 Kerosene 4 Solid fuel 5 Other 8 Specify:	Electric 1 Gas 2 Propane 3 Kerosene 4 Solid fuel 5 Other 8 Specify:
		None 6	None 6	None 6
D-2.	Fans observed in the classroom (Circle all that apply):?	Ceiling 1 Window 2 Floor 3 Desktop 4 Lab or Range hood 5 Other 8 Specify: None 6	Ceiling 1 Window 2 Floor 3 Desktop 4 Lab or Range hood 5 Other 8 Specify:	Ceiling 1 Window 2 Floor 3 Desktop 4 Lab or Range hood 5 Other 8 Specify:
D-3.	Do the range hood and/or lab hoods exhaust air? TURN ON THE FAN AND VERIFY DUCTING TO THE OUTSIDE)	Yes 1 No 2 NA 10	Yes	Yes

	Classroom #1	Classroom #2	Classroom #3
D-4. Is there any humidity control equipment used in the classroom? (Circle one)		No 2 DK 9	Yes 1 No 2 DK 9 NA 10

SECTION E. SYSTEM CONTROL

		Classroom #1	Classroom #2	Classroom #3
E-1.	Outside Air Control (Circle all that apply)	Timer 1 Night shutdown 2 CO2 3 Temperature 4 Occupancy 5 Other 8 Specify: None 6	Timer 1 Night shutdown 2 CO2 3 Temperature 4 Occupancy 5 Other 8 Specify: None 6	Timer 1 Night shutdown 2 CO2 3 Temperature 4 Occupancy 5 Other 8 Specify: None 6
E-2.	If system is operated today, what is main mode of supply fan operation today? (Circle one)	Auto (only when heating or cooling) 1 Always on 2 Always off 3 Other 8 Specify:	Auto (only when heating or cooling) 1 Always on 2 Always off 3 Other 8 Specify: 9 NA 10	Auto (only when heating or cooling) 1 Always on 2 Always off 3 Other 8 Specify: 9 DK 9 NA 10

		Classroom #1	Classroom #2	Classroom #3
E-3.	How many rooms or zones are served by the primary system? (Circle one)	1	1	1
E-4.	Is there a thermostat in each zone/room? (Circle one)	Yes 1 No 2 DK 9	Yes	Yes
E-5.	What is the system's method of air flow control? (Circle one)	Constant	Constant	Constant 1 Variable 2 DK 9
E-6.	Does this system have an economizer? (Circle one)	Yes $1 \rightarrow \text{CONTINUE}$ No $2 \rightarrow \text{SKIP TO Q E-8}$. DK $9 \rightarrow \text{SKIP TO Q E-8}$. NA $10 \rightarrow \text{SKIP TO Q E-8}$.	Yes $1 \rightarrow \text{CONTINUE}$ No $2 \rightarrow \text{SKIP TO Q E-8}$. DK $9 \rightarrow \text{SKIP TO Q E-8}$. NA $10 \rightarrow \text{SKIP TO Q E-8}$.	Yes $1 \rightarrow$ CONTINUE No $2 \rightarrow$ SKIP TO Q E-8. DK $9 \rightarrow$ SKIP TO Q E-8. NA $10 \rightarrow$ SKIP TO Q E-8.
E-7.	What type of economizer controls are there? (Circle one)	Temperature	Temperature	Temperature
E-8.	Thermostat controled by: (Circle all that apply)	NA 10 Maintenance staff (locked) 1 Teacher (unlocked) 2 EMS (central control) 3 Other 8 Specify:	NA Maintenance staff (locked) Teacher (unlocked) EMS (central control) 3 Other Specify: DK NA	NA

		Classroom #1	Classroom #2	Classroom #3
E-9.	When does thermostat setback? (Circle all that apply)	When teacher leaves 1 Nights 2 Weekend 3 Holidays 4 Never 5 Other 8 Specify:	When teacher leaves 1 Nights 2 Weekend 3 Holidays 4 Never 5 Other 8 Specify:	When teacher leaves 1 Nights 2 Weekend 3 Holidays 4 Never 5 Other 8 Specify:

SECTION F. MACHINE ROOM

COMPLETE THIS SECTION ONLY IF THERE IS A BUILT UP HVAC SYSTEM. **SKIP TO SECTION G IF YOU ARE OBSERVING A CLASSROOM WITH A PACKAGE UNIT.**

		Classroom #1	Classroom #2	Classroom #3
F-1.	Air inlet/return to AHU in Machine Room? (Circle one)	Yes	Yes $1 \rightarrow \text{GO TO}$ Q. F-2. No $2 \rightarrow \text{GO TO}$ Q. F-3. Not accessible $3 \rightarrow \text{SKIP TO}$ Q. G-1. DK $9 \rightarrow \text{GO TO}$ Q. F-3.	Yes
F-2.	Are the Filters on inlet? (Circle one)	Yes 1 No 2 DK 9	Yes 1 No 2 DK 9	Yes
F-3.	Chemical storage in Machine Room? (Circle one)	Yes 1 No 2 Not accessible 3 DK 9	Yes	Yes

		Classroom #1	Classroom #2	Classroom #3
F-4.	Is the Machine Room air- conditioned? (Circle one)	Yes 1 No 2	Yes 1 No 2	Yes 1 No 2
F-5.	Water/humidity problems in Machine Room? (Circle one)	Yes 1 No 2	Yes 1 No 2	Yes 1 No 2
F-6.	Is Machine Room clean? (Circle one)	Yes 1 No 2	Yes	Yes 1 No 2
F-7.	Please add notes regarding chemical storage, water problems, etc. in the machine room.			

SECTION G. OUTSIDE ACCESS

		Classroom #1	Classroom #2	Classroom #3
G-1.	Ease of access to AHU interior. (Circle one)	Good 1 Fair 2 Poor 3 None 4 DK 9	Good 1 Fair 2 Poor 3 None 4 DK 9	Good 1 Fair 2 Poor 3 None 4 DK 9
G-2.	What is the condition of the exhaust flue? (Circle one)	Blocked 1 Crimped 2 Corroded 3 Other 8 Specify: 9 NA 10	Blocked	Blocked 1 Crimped 2 Corroded 3 Other 8 Specify: 9 NA 10

		Classroom #1	Classroom #2	Classroom #3
G-3.	Filter Type: (Circle all that apply)	Fiberglass mesh 1 Pleated 2 High efficiency 3 Other 8 Specify:	Fiberglass mesh 1 Pleated 2 High efficiency 3 Other 8 Specify:	Fiberglass mesh 1 Pleated 2 High efficiency 3 Other 8 Specify:
		DK	DK 9 NA 10	DK
G-4.	Placement of Filter: (Circle one)	Coil/AHU 1 Duct 2 Both 3 None 4 NA 5	Coil/AHU 1 Duct 2 Both 3 None 4 NA 5	Coil/AHU 1 Duct 2 Both 3 None 4 NA 5
G-5.	Loading of dirt on Filter: (Circle one)	Heavy 1 Medium 2 Light 3 DK 9 NA 10	Heavy 1 Medium 2 Light 3 DK 9 NA 10	Heavy 1 Medium 2 Light 3 DK 9 NA 10
G-6.	Gaps around filters: (Circle one)	½ inch or more 1 less than ½ inch 2 None 3 DK 9 NA 10	½ inch or more 1 less than ½ inch 2 None 3 DK 9 NA 10	½ inch or more 1 less than ½ inch 2 None 3 DK 9 NA 10
G-7.	Mold/Mildew on Filter? (Circle one)	Yes	Yes 1 No 2 DK 9 NA 10	Yes 1 No 2 DK 9 NA 10

		Classroom #1	Classroom #2	Classroom #3
G-8.	Type of supply ductwork: (Circle all that apply)	Flexible 1 Sheet metal 2 Other 8 Specify: DK 9	Flexible 1 Sheet metal 2 Other 8 Specify: DK 9	Flexible 1 Sheet metal 2 Other 8 Specify: DK 9
		NA 10	NA 10	NA 10
G-9.	Number of Coils in a row: (Circle one)	DK99 NA10	DK99 NA10	DK99 NA10
G-10.	Condition of Coils (Circle all that apply)	Clean 1 Dirty 2 Mold/Mildew/Algae 3 Leaks 4	Clean 1 Dirty 2 Mold/Mildew/Algae 3 Leaks 4	Clean 1 Dirty 2 Mold/Mildew/Algae 3 Leaks 4
G-11.	Condensate drain pans and lines (Circle all that apply):	Clean 1 Dirty 2 Mineral buildup 3 Biological buildup 4 Leaks 5 Odors 6 Other 8 Specify:	Clean 1 Dirty 2 Mineral buildup 3 Biological buildup 4 Leaks 5 Odors 6 Other 8 Specify:	Clean 1 Dirty 2 Mineral buildup 3 Biological buildup 4 Leaks 5 Odors 6 Other 8 Specify:
G-12.	Is there a P-trap for the drain line? (Circle one)	Yes	Yes	Yes

		Classroom #1	Classroom #2	Classroom #3
Note: draina	conduct drainage test: add 6 oz of waa ge.	ter into the condensation drain pan c	and check for plugged outlet if there d	oes not appear to be adequate
G-13.	Results of drainage tests: (Circle all that apply)	Standing water left 1 Water exits drain line 2 Other 8 Specify:	Standing water left 1 Water exits drain line 2 Other 8 Specify:	Standing water left 1 Water exits drain line 2 Other 8 Specify:
		NA 10	NA10	NA 10
G-14.	Condensate drain outlet location: (Circle all that apply)	Bottom of AHU 1 Exterior wall 2 On ground within 5 ft. of building 3 Other 8 Specify:	Bottom of AHU	Bottom of AHU
		DK 9	DK9	DK 9
G-15.	A. Outdoor air Intake cleanliness (Circle one)	Good 1 Fair 2 Poor 3	Good	Good
G-15.	B. Is there blockage in the Intake? (Circle one)	Yes 1 No 2 DK 9 NA 10	Yes 1 No 2 DK 9 NA 10	Yes 1 No 2 DK 9 NA 10
G-15.	C. Possible contamination sources (describe)		-	-
G-16.	Exhaust outlet within 25 feet? (Circle one)	Yes 1 No 2 DK 9 NA 10	Yes 1 No 2 DK 9 NA 10	Yes 1 No 2 DK 9 NA 10

		Classroom #1	Classroom #2	Classroom #3
G-17.	Describe the Bird screen: (Circle all that apply)	In place 1 Obstructed 2 None 3	In place 1 Obstructed 2 None 3	In place 1 Obstructed 2 None 3
G-18.	Circle all that appear inside the AHU. (Circle all that apply)	Standing water 1 Slime 2 Mineral deposits 3 Other 8 Specify:	Standing water 1 Slime 2 Mineral deposits 3 Other 8 Specify:	Standing water 1 Slime 2 Mineral deposits 3 Other 8 Specify:
		None 4	None 4	None 4
G-19.	Condition of AHU fan blades: (Circle one)	Clean 1 Dirty 2 Corrosion 3 DK 9 NA 10	Clean 1 Dirty 2 Corrosion 3 DK 9 NA 10	Clean 1 Dirty 2 Corrosion 3 DK 9 NA 10
G-20.	AHU vibration and noise: (Circle one)	Very loud 1 Loud 2 Quiet 3 NA 10	Very loud 1 Loud 2 Quiet 3 NA 10	Very loud 1 Loud 2 Quiet 3 NA 10
G-21.	End Time:	: am/pm TIME OBSERVATION ENDS	: am/pm TIME OBSERVATION ENDS	: am/pm TIME OBSERVATION ENDS
Notes System	and Observations on the HVAC			

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Instructions to field staff: Complete this form once per school. First review responses from the Facilities Questionnaire. Pay particular attention to questions that had been left blank. Ask FM if he/she needs clarification on any questions from the questionnaire and try to complete any questions that had been left blank.

Obtain information for all 3 classrooms. Section A is to be completed by the Facility Manager. Consult with HVAC Manager to complete Section B. Ask Facility Manager to also complete Part 2, which is a separate form.

<u>SECTION A.</u>	CLASSROOM INF	FORMATION

Today's Date: / /

Facility Manager's Name:

	Classroom #1	Classroom #2	Classroom #3
Room Number:			
A-3. Date the classroom building was constructed or acquired by district:	/(MM/YYYY)	/(MM/YYYY)	/(MM/YYYY)
PORTABLE CLASSROOMS MAY HAVE A F WILL NEED TO BE OBTAINED FROM THE WILL HAVE TO BE OBTAINED FROM THE	FACILITY MANAGER (FM). TRA		
A-4. Is classroom a portable or traditional type? (Circle one)	Portable 1→CONTINUE Traditional 2→SKIP TO Q. A-8.	Portable 1→CONTINUE Traditional 2→SKIP TO Q. A-8.	Portable 1→CONTINUE Traditional 2→SKIP TO Q. A-8.

A-1.

A-2.

		Classroom #1	Classroom #2	Classroom #3
A-5.	A. Was the portable unit acquired new or used? (Circle one)	New 1 Used 2 → B. Estimate age of unit yrs. DK 9	New 1 Used 2 → B. Estimate age of unit yrs. DK 9	New 1 Used 2 → B. Estimate age of unit yrs. DK 9
A-6.	What sort of design approval does the portable unit have? (Circle one)	DSA	DSA	DSA
A-7.	A. Is the portable in its original location on the school's campus? (Circle one)	Yes1 No	Yes	Yes
A-8.	A. For classroom being sampled, please indicate if any of the following items have been replaced within the last 3 years. (Circle all that apply):	Addition 1 Lighting 2 HVAC 3 Roof 4 Floor 5 Wall 6 Plumbing 7 Carpet 11 Other 8 → Specify:	Addition 1 Lighting 2 HVAC 3 Roof 4 Floor 5 Wall 6 Plumbing 7 Carpet 11 Other 8 → Specify:	Addition 1 Lighting 2 HVAC 3 Roof 4 Floor 5 Wall 6 Plumbing 7 Carpet 11 Other 8 → Specify:

	Classroom #1	Classroom #2	Classroom #3
A-9. Major remediations (Circle all that apply):	Asbestos 1 Lead 2 Mold 3 Other 8→Specify: DK 9 None 4	Asbestos 1 Lead 2 Mold 3 Other 8→Specify: DK 9 None 4	Asbestos 1 Lead 2 Mold 3 Other 8→Specify: DK 9 None 4
A-10. Type of insulation in classroom (Circle all that apply):	Rolled fiberglass 1 Blown paper 2 Insulation board 3 Foam 4 Other 8→Specify: DK 9	Rolled fiberglass 1 Blown paper 2 Insulation board 3 Foam 4 Other 8→Specify:	Rolled fiberglass 1 Blown paper 2 Insulation board 3 Foam 4 Other 8→Specify:
A-11. Overhead Lighting Fixture Type. (Circle all that apply)	T8 Fluorescent 1 T12 Fluorescent 2 Fluorescent, Full spectrum 3 Fluorescent, DK Type 4 Incandescent 5 DK 9 None 6	T8 Fluorescent 1 T12 Fluorescent 2 Fluorescent, Full spectrum 3 Fluorescent, DK Type 4 Incandescent 5 DK 9 None 6	T8 Fluorescent 1 T12 Fluorescent 2 Fluorescent, Full spectrum 3 Fluorescent, DK Type 4 Incandescent 5 DK 9 None 6
A-12. Roof last replaced (years) (Circle one)	Original 1 1-4 2 5-9 3 10-19 4 >19 5 DK 9	Original 1 1-4 2 5-9 3 10-19 4 >19 5 DK 9	Original 1 1-4 2 5-9 3 10-19 4 >19 5 DK 9

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	Classroom #1	Classroom #2	Classroom #3
<u>Ducts</u>			
A-13. Type of supply ductwork in classroom (Circle all that apply):	Sheet metal 1 Fiberboard 2 Flexible 3 Other 8→Specify:	Sheet metal 1 Fiberboard 2 Flexible 3 Other 8→Specify:	Sheet metal 1 Fiberboard 2 Flexible 3 Other 8→Specify:
	DK 9 None 5	DK 9 None 5	DK 9 None 5
A-14. What kind of ductwork insulation is there in classroom? (Circle all that apply)	Lined (inside duct) 1 Wrapped (outside the duct) 2 Other 8→Specify:	Lined (inside duct) 1 Wrapped (outside the duct) 2 Other 8→Specify:	Lined (inside duct)
	DK 9 None 3	DK 9 None 3	DK 9 None 3
A-15. Have the ducts in this classroom been professionally cleaned? (Circle one)	Yes 1→Please provide date ————/————————————————————————————————	Yes 1→Please provide date ————————————————————————————————————	Yes 1→Please provide date ————————————————————————————————————
A-16. Provide additional comments or observations in space below. (Note anything related to classroom renovations/remediations, ductwork, insulation, etc.)			

SECTION B. HVAC SYSTEMS

IN CONSULTATION WITH HVAC MANAGER. PLEASE REFER TO PRIMARY HVAC UNIT.

B-1. HVAC MANAGER'S NAME _____

		Classroom #1	Classroom #2	Classroom #3	
B-2.	Design total supply air flow	cfm	cfm	cfm	
		DK99 NA10	DK99 NA10	DK99 NA10	
В-3.	Design outside air flow	cfm	cfm	cfm	
		DK99 NA10	DK99 NA10	DK	
B-4.	Date last tested and balanced	/ (MM/YYYY)	/ (MM/YYYY)	/ (MM/YYYY)	
		DK9/-999 NA1/-100	DK9/-999 NA1/-100	DK9/-999 NA1/-100	
B-5.	Minimum setting of outdoor air damper	%		%	
	(%):	DK9 NA1	DK9 NA1	DK9 NA1	
B-6.	What written HVAC records are available? (Circle all that apply)	Adjustments, testing, and balancing	Adjustments, testing, and balancing	Adjustments, testing, and balancing	
B-7.	How often do inspections occur: (Circle one)	Yearly 1 Quarterly 2 Monthly 3 Other 4	Yearly 1 Quarterly 2 Monthly 3 Other 4	Yearly 1 Quarterly 2 Monthly 3 Other 4	

		Classroom #1	Classroom #2	Classroom #3
B-8.	Date of last inspection;	/ (MM/YYYY)	/ (MM/YYYY)	/_ (MM/YYYY)
B-9.	A. Has there been an HVAC system replacement or major repair for this classroom? ENTER YEAR FOR MOST RECENT. (Circle all that apply)	Replacement 1 → B. Year	Replacement 1→B. Year Repair 2→C. Year DK 9 NA 10 None 3	Replacement 1→B. Year
B-10.	Provide additional comments or observations in space below. (Note anything related to classroom renovations/remediations, ductwork, insulation, etc.)			

Consultation with Facilities and HVAC Managers (Part 2) CA PCS Phase II

FACILITY MANAGER, PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS **ONCE** FOR THE ENTIRE SCHOOL SITE. IF YOU CANNOT COMPLETE "PART 2" AT THE PRESENT TIME, PLEASE ASK TECHNICIAN FOR RETURN ENVELOPE TO MAIL IT TO RTI.

TECHNICIAN, PLEASE COMPLETE THE IDENTIFYING INFORMATION BELOW.

SECTION C. OTHER SCHOOL INFORMATION/CHARACTERISTICS

C-1.	Today's Date://
C-2.	Facility Manager's Name:
C-3.	School Type: (Circle all that apply)
	Elementary 1 Middle 2 High 3 Other 8 → Specify:
C-4.	Number of students attending this school:
C-5.	Grades at this school (Circle all that apply) K 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12
C-6.	How many student days are scheduled for this school year?

C-7.	Are there pre-kindergarten aged children in an on-campus pre-school or day-care facility at any time during the day?
	Yes 1
	No
C-8.	Which of the following events have occurred at the school in the past 5 years? (Circle all that apply)
	Hazardous waste spills 1
	Fires
	Major water leaks 3
	Floods 4
C-9.	Have there been any overheated, burning or leaking ballasts or transformers currently or in the past? (Circle all that apply)
	Yes 1
	No 2
	DK 9
C-10.	How often is there standing water or wet low spots within 50 feet of
	the classroom (including underneath the classroom)? (Circle one)
	Never 1
	Occasionally 2
	Frequently 3
	DK 9

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SECTION D. OTHER

D-1.	What is the source of the school's potable water? (Ch	ircle one)	
	On-site well	s this from surface water or ground water? Surface (e.g. river or reservoir 1 Groundwater (public wells) 2 Both	
D-2.	Do students shower anywhere on campus? (Circle one)		
	Yes		
D-3.	Are crops such as fruits or vegetables grown on camp	ous and consumed by students? (Circle one)	
	Yes		

Please go to next page.

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D-4. If pesticides are applied at the school, fill in table below (if known):

Notes to technician: If school uses a contractor, request a pesticides application report from the contract service. Obtain copy of IPM report on Pesticides used, if available.

INDOORS Product Name	EPA#	Schedule for use: (D=daily, W=weekly, M=monthly, Q=quarterly, A=annually, N=as needed, R=rarely)	Who Applies Pesticide? (maintenance staff, teachers, contractor, other)
		D W M Q A N R	
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June 23, 2003

«district»
Attn: «distcontactname1»
«distaddrline1»
«distcity», «diststate» «distzip»

Dear «distcontactname1»:

We are writing to request your support for participation of some of your district's schools in Phase II of the California Portable Classrooms Study (Phase I was conducted this past spring). The California Air Resources Board (ARB) and the California Department of Health Services (DHS) are conducting this study to learn more about the environmental health conditions in California's portable classrooms.

As you may already know, this study has been mandated by the California Legislature. It also is endorsed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, Ms. Delaine Eastin (see enclosed letter). The study results will be used to make recommendations to the Legislature to remedy any unhealthful conditions found. These recommendations will help shape future programs and funding decisions at the State level.

The ARB and DHS have contracted with Research Triangle Institute (RTI) to conduct the study. Within the next week, RTI staff will be calling to request your support.

The schools in your district listed on the enclosed form have been randomly selected to participate in Phase II of this study. After obtaining your support, RTI staff will contact the principals of the selected schools to set a mutually convenient date for the study. Each participating school will receive a check for \$100 as a "Thank You" for their participation. More importantly, participating schools will have contributed important information needed to assess our portable classrooms and will help identify any state-level changes needed to improve environmental conditions in our classrooms.

Phase II of the study will be conducted by RTI and will require very little time from staff in your office or at the school. RTI will ask the facilities manager to provide current lists of portable and permanent classrooms, from which RTI staff will select the study classrooms. Two portable classrooms and one traditional classroom will be selected for study from each participating school. Two RTI staff members will visit each school for one day and conduct the following activities in each study classroom: air sampling; assessment of the heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) systems; floor dust collection, and temperature and humidity monitoring.

To minimize the impact on classroom instruction, the sampling equipment will be set up before classes begin and removed after classes have ended. The monitoring equipment is quiet and unobtrusive. In addition, comparable air monitoring will be conducted outdoors at each school.

We will ask for assistance from the facilities manager for each school to complete a brief questionnaire regarding the school. In addition, on the day that we visit the school, we will request that the facilities manager, or someone knowledgeable about the HVAC system at the school, accompany RTI's technician during assessment activities.

We hope that you will support this study because we can produce the most definitive results only if we obtain data from all of the randomly selected schools. The information collected from the participating schools and staff will remain strictly confidential; the names of individual schools and staff members will not be reported to our agencies or any other government agencies. We ask that you approve your schools' participation in this important research and take time to talk with the RTI staff who will call you in the next week or so. If you would like to receive the results for schools in your district, you can request them from RTI.

We would appreciate a faxed letter indicating your support. A sample letter of support is enclosed. Please copy this letter onto your district's letterhead, then date and sign the letter, and fax it to RTI at (919) 541-6854. We will send a copy of this letter to the principals of the schools on the enclosed list to inform them of your approval.

If you have questions or concerns about this study, please call us at the numbers below or call the RTI Project Director, Dr. Roy Whitmore, at (800) 334-8571, Ext. 5809, between 8 am and 5 pm, Eastern time. We have enclosed a brochure describing the study. Additional information about the project can be found at our website at http://www.arb.ca.gov/research/indoor/pcs/pcs.htm.

Sincerely,

Peggy L. Jenkins ARB Project Officer (916) 445-0753

Peggy L. Jenkins

Jed Waldman DHS Project Officer (510) 540-2469

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cc: Dr. Roy Whitmore, RTI

Enclosures: (1) Letter from Delaine Eastin

- (2) Study brochure
- (3) Letter of approval to be copied to your letterhead, signed, and faxed to RTI
- (4) List of schools in your district that were randomly selected for Phase II

DATE:
Dr. Roy W. Whitmore Project Director, California Portable Classrooms Study Research Triangle Institute Research Triangle Park, NC
Dear Dr. Whitmore:
The School District is pleased to support the California Portable Classrooms Study. The study results will be used to help improve the quality of the school environment for California's youth. We encourage schools in our district to cooperate and participate in the upcoming study.
We understand that all information gathered is confidential.
Sincerely yours,
Name:
reame.
Title:
Phone Number:

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«school»
Attn: «principalname1»
«schooladdrline1»
«schoolcity», «schoolstate» «schoolzip»

Dear «principalname1»:

I am writing to request your school's participation in Phase II of the California Portable Classrooms Study (Phase I was conducted this past spring). The California Air Resources Board (ARB) and the California Department of Health Services (DHS) are conducting this study to learn more about the environmental health conditions in California's portable classrooms. Your superintendent has given us verbal approval for you to participate in this study.

As you may already know, this study has been mandated by the California Legislature. It also is endorsed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, Ms. Delaine Eastin (see enclosed letter). The study results will be used to make recommendations to the Legislature to address unhealthful environmental conditions found in portable classrooms. These recommendations will help shape future programs and funding decisions at the state level.

The State has contracted with my organization, Research Triangle Institute (RTI), to assist in conducting the fieldwork of the study. Within the next week, we will be calling to request your school's participation. Your school has been randomly selected from California's public schools to participate in Phase II of this study. If you participate, your school will receive a check for \$100 as a token of appreciation. More importantly, you will have contributed important information needed to assess portable classrooms and to help identify any state-level changes needed to improve environmental conditions in California's classrooms.

This study will require very little time from staff at your school. We will ask you or your facilities manager to provide current lists of portable and permanent classrooms, as well as a site map, from which RTI staff will select the study classrooms. Two portable classrooms and one traditional classroom will be selected for study. We also will ask for assistance from your facilities manager to complete a brief questionnaire regarding the school. In addition, on the day that we visit your school, we will request that your facilities manager, or someone knowledgeable about the ventilation systems at your school, accompany RTI's technician during assessment activities.

On the study date, two RTI staff members will conduct the following activities in each study classroom: air sampling; assessment of the heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) systems; floor dust collection, and temperature and humidity monitoring. To minimize the impact on classroom instruction, the air sampling equipment will be set up before classes begin and removed after classes have ended. In addition, comparable air monitoring will be conducted at one outdoor location at the school. The monitoring equipment is quiet and unobtrusive.

The information collected from the participating schools and staff will remain strictly confidential; the names of individual schools and staff members will not be reported to the public, State agencies, or any other government agencies. If you would like to receive the results for your school, you can request them from your district superintendent; the specific results for your school will not be provided to anyone else.

We hope that you will participate in this study. We need data from all of the randomly selected schools in order to accurately identify priority areas of need and develop effective recommendations to address them. We ask that you approve your school's participation in this important research when we call you in the next week or so.

If you have questions or concerns regarding this study, please call me at the number below between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Eastern time, or call Peggy Jenkins, ARB Project Officer, at 916-445-0753, or Jed Waldman, DHS Project Officer, at 510-540-2469. Additional information about the project can be found in the enclosed brochure and at the study website at http://www.arb.ca.gov/research/indoor/pcs/pcs.htm.

Sincerely,

Rebecca G. Premock

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RTI Project Coordinator (800) 334-8571, Ext. 7468

Enclosures: (1) Letter from Delaine Eastin

(2) Study brochure

Cc: Peggy L. Jenkins, ARB Jed Waldman, Ph.D., DHS

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«schoolname»
Attn: «prinname»
«prinaddress»
«princity», «prinstate» «prinzip»

Dear «prinname»:

I am writing to request your school's participation in Phase II of the California Portable Classrooms Study (Phase I was conducted this past spring). The California Air Resources Board (ARB) and the California Department of Health Services (DHS) are conducting this study to learn more about the environmental health conditions in California's portable classrooms. Your superintendent has given us verbal approval for you to participate in this study.

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This study will require very little time from staff at your school. Two portable classrooms and one traditional classroom will be selected for study. If possible, we would like to revisit the same classrooms selected for Phase I of the study this past Spring. We also will ask for assistance from your facilities manager to complete a brief questionnaire regarding the school. In addition, on the day that we visit your school, we will request that your facilities manager, or someone knowledgeable about the ventilation systems at your school, accompany RTI's technician during assessment activities.

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Cc: Peggy L. Jenkins, ARB Jed Waldman, Ph.D., DHS



What Will Happen to These Data Once They Are Collected?

At RTI, the questionnaire and environmental data will be entered into a computer database and analyzed. Before State agencies receive the results from RTI, individual names and all other school and classroom identifiers will be removed. The study results will then be used by State researchers to develop a report on the system-wide status of environmental conditions in California public schools. With input from interested stakeholders, the State researchers will also recommend actions that can be taken to remedy and/or prevent unhealthful environmental conditions in portable classrooms.

When Will the Study Results Be Available?

The Legislature has required that ARB and DHS finish the study and submit their report by June 30, 2002. You can sign up on our LISTSERV at: www.arb.ca.gov/research/indoor/pcs/pcs.htm

for regular updates on study progress.

You can find study updates at the California Portable Classrooms Study Web site:

www.arb.ca.gov/research/indoor/pcs/pcs.htm



Whom May I Call If I Have Further Questions?

If you have any questions or comments regarding any aspect of this study, please call:

Mr. Michael Phillips, RTI Survey Manager, at 800-334-8571, ext. 6276

Ms. Peggy Jenkins, California Air Resources Board, at 916-445-0753

Dr. Jed Waldman, California Department of Health Services, at 510-540-2469

E-mail should be sent to CAPCS@arb.ca.gov

Additional resources on Healthy Schools can be found at:

U.S. EPA IAQ Tools for Schools: www.epa.gov/iaq/schools/tools4s2.html

Collaborative for High Performance Schools:

www.chps.net

Please feel free to copy this brochure and distribute it to others at your school.





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Research Triangle Park, NC 27709



What Is the California Portable Classrooms Study?

This is a statewide study to learn more about environmental health conditions in California's portable classrooms. The State Air Resources Board (ARB) and the Department of Health Services (DHS) are jointly conducting the study. Study scientists will identify how widespread any potential problems may be, and make recommendations, in consultation with stakeholders, for actions that can be taken to solve any problems identified and prevent future problems.

Why Is This Study Being Conducted?

The California Portable Classrooms Study was proposed by Governor Gray Davis and is supported by the California State Legislature. Delaine Eastin, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, has endorsed the study.

How Was Our School Selected?

Your school is one of 1000 schools randomly chosen from all public schools in the State.



Why Is It So Important That Our School Participates?

Because the study uses a representative, statewide sample of schools, every school selected in the sample is important. Because your school was one of those randomly selected, we cannot replace it with another. If your school does not participate, study results will be less representative of statewide conditions.



How Will Portable Classrooms Be Studied?

There are two main components to the California Portable Classrooms Study. The first is a mail survey of 1000 schools, which will collect information from facility managers and teachers. In addition, air sampling for formaldehyde will be conducted in some schools. Several months after the mail survey, 60 schools will be recruited for more extensive environmental monitoring of their classrooms. In addition to portable classrooms, the study will include some traditional classrooms.



Will Much Effort Be Required by School Staff?

At each school, a "study coordinator" will receive a packet with instructions for selecting three classrooms, giving out questionnaires, placing formaldehyde monitoring tubes, and mailing these items back. The questionnaires for facility managers and teachers typically take about 20 minutes to complete. In the second part of the study in the fall, air samples and other environmental measurements will be taken by study scientists in several classrooms in each of the 60 schools selected for further environmental monitoring.



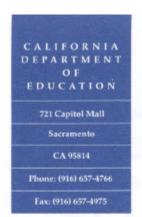
Are There Other Reasons Our School Should Participate?

Participating in this study offers you the opportunity to contribute to knowledge needed to promote healthier environmental conditions for school children in California. The results of this study will help shape future programs and funding decisions at the State level.



How Will Information I Provide Be Kept Confidential?

Research Triangle Institute (RTI) has been hired by the State to conduct the study, and they are required to keep all study information they receive *confidential*. Researchers will use the information you provide for statistical purposes only. Individual participant and school names will not be shared with any government agencies. Specific formaldehyde monitoring results for your school will only be provided to your school district superintendent.



DELAINE EASTIN State Superintendent of Public Instruction

August 7, 2001

Dear District and County Superintendents and Charter School Administrators:

Study of Environmental Conditions in California's Portable Classrooms

This past spring, the State Air Resources Board (ARB) and the Department of Health Services (DHS) asked schools in your district to complete surveys for the California Portable Classrooms Study. We appreciate the efforts of those who participated. I am writing now to request your support for, and participation in, Phase II of the study. In Phase II, ARB and DHS, with assistance from the Research Triangle Institute (RTI), will conduct a field study at a subset of the schools previously surveyed. Phase II activities will be conducted this fall and winter, and will require minimal effort on the part of district and school staff. Because schools in your district are among those selected for Phase II, I ask that you actively participate in the study as requested in the enclosed materials.

The findings from the California Portable Classrooms Study will form the primary basis for recommendations that ARB and DHS must make to the Governor and the Legislature in June 2002 regarding ways to remedy and prevent unhealthful conditions found in portable classrooms. As you may know, the State is facing rising concerns about environmental health conditions in California portable classrooms. The information that ARB and DHS gather in this study will help determine whether publicized problems are isolated occurrences or system-wide concerns, and whether state-level assistance is needed to address them.

If you have any questions regarding the sampling schedule or study plans, please contact the ARB, DHS, or RTI contacts indicated in the enclosed materials. You can also find further information about the study at the following web site: http://www.arb.ca.gov/research/indoor/pcs/pcs.htm.

I appreciate your assistance in supporting the California Portable Classrooms Study. The success of this study is important to the health of California school children.

Sincerely,

DELAINE EASTIN

State Superintendent of Public Instruction

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Enclosures

cc: Jed Waldman, Chief Indoor Air Quality Program, DHS Peggy Jenkins, Manager, Indoor Exposure Assessment Section, ARB

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MONITORING FOR THE CA PORTABLE CLASSROOMS STUDY

GENERAL DATA-GATHERING CRITERIA

- Noise: minimal noise (a quiet purring) will be made by air monitoring equipment, which will be located away from students and teachers
- **Space**: a small box (1.5 x 3 x 1 ft) will contain all of the indoor monitoring equipment
- **Security**: the monitoring equipment will be secured with ties to prevent tampering; only a small tube will protrude from the box.
- Randomly selected classrooms: to ensure statistical validity, 2 portable classrooms and 1 traditional classroom will be selected randomly from each school
- **Confidentiality**: the names of the schools, districts, or persons will not be released to government agencies or the public; participating schools can request the results for their school through their district superintendent

COMFORT

- Measurements: temperature and relative humidity
- Where collected: 3 selected classrooms and outside
- When collected: equipment is set up in the morning before class starts and taken down at the end of the day after class ends

CHEMICALS

- Measurements: airborne particle counts and gaseous chemicals such as formaldehyde; soil and dust samples
- Where collected: 3 selected classrooms and outside
- When collected: for particle counts and gaseous chemicals, samplers will be set up
 in the morning before class and taken down after class ends; dust (indoors) and soil
 samples (outdoors) will be collected at the end of the school day when no students
 are present

MOLDS

- Measurements: swabs of areas, slides and biological cultures
- Where collected: in a limited number of classrooms
- When collected: 5 to 15 minute samples when students not present, during the lunch break if possible

LIGHT

- Measurement: light meter
- Where collected: 3 selected classrooms
- When collected: 5 minutes in each classroom when no students are present; midday or at the end of the school day

NOISE

- Measurement: decibel levels
- Where collected: 3 selected classrooms
- When collected: when no students are present; mid-day or at the end of the school day

MOISTURE

- **Measurement**: moisture reading on inside walls
- Where collected: 3 selected classrooms
- When collected: 5 minutes in each classroom when no students are present; midday or at the end of the school day

VENTILATION

- Measurements: air flow and carbon dioxide levels
- Where collected: 3 selected classrooms and outside
- When collected: air flow is a 5 minute measurement taken when no students are present; carbon dioxide instruments are set up in the morning before class starts and taken down at the end of the day after class ends

VIDEO

- Measurements: inside to capture the layout of equipment and areas where
 potential indoor sources are visible; outside to capture possible nearby sources, e.g.,
 service stations. Absolutely no students, teachers, or any school identifiers will
 be on video. Videos will be used only to help investigators understand the
 monitoring results.
- Where collected: 3 selected classrooms and outside as described above
- When collected: at convenient times throughout the day during periods when students are not present in the selected classrooms

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Dear Teacher:

Your school has agreed to participate in the California Portable Classrooms Study. Research Triangle Institute (RTI) is conducting this study on behalf of the California Air Resources Board (ARB) and the California Department of Health Services (DHS) to learn more about the environmental health conditions in California's portable classrooms.

Three teachers in your school were randomly chosen to participate in this study based on classroom assignment. The results from the study will be used by the ARB, DHS, and other state agencies to assess the potential for adverse health conditions and to recommend effective actions that can be taken to remedy or prevent any unhealthful conditions that may be found.

Please complete the "Teacher Questionnaire" enclosed. It should take about 10 minutes. Return the questionnaire to the RTI field technician at your school.

Your participation and the participation of your school are voluntary. However, your participation is critical to the success of the study. RTI will keep all school information strictly confidential. Neither individual questionnaire responses nor specific results for any individual schools will be reported to any government agencies. Government agencies will receive data and summary results that exclude identifiers for individual participants, classrooms, and schools.

If you have any questions about this study, please call me at the number listed below. If you have any questions about your rights as a study participant, you can call RTI's Office of Research Protection at 1-866-214-2043 (a toll-free number).

It is only with the help of individual schools, such as yours, that this research can be successful and provide results that are accurate and useful. Thank you for your assistance and participation.

Sincerely,

Rebecca G. Premock RTI Project Coordinator (800) 334-8571, Ext. 7468

Rebecca G. Premock

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October 11, 2001

Contact School Street City, CA ZIP

Dear Contact:

<School> has agreed to participate in the California Portable Classrooms Study. Research Triangle Institute (RTI) is conducting this study on behalf of the California Air Resources Board (ARB) and the California Department of Health Services (DHS) to learn more about the environmental health conditions in California's portable classrooms.

Please complete the "Facility Manager Questionnaire" enclosed. It should take about 20 minutes. You may be asked to accompany the RTI field technician when the monitoring at the school is being performed. Please return the questionnaire to the RTI field technician when you meet him at Adams Elementary School. If you do not meet with the RTI technician, please return the questionnaire in the envelope provided. The site visit to <school name> has been scheduled for <date>.

Your participation in this study is voluntary. However, your participation is critical to the success of the study. RTI will keep all school information strictly confidential. Neither individual questionnaire responses nor specific results for any individual schools will be reported to any government agencies. Government agencies will receive data and summary results that exclude identifiers for individual participants, classrooms, and schools.

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DATE

SCHOOL NAME ATTN: SCHOOL CONTACT ADDRESS CITY, CA ZIP

Dear CONTACT NAME:

I am writing to thank you for your school's upcoming participation in Phase II of the California Portable Classrooms Study. You have already received a phone call from a RTI staff member to schedule the date for this study at your school. The site visit to <school> has been scheduled for <date>. Please notify your staff of the date of the site visit.

The enclosed chart describes the monitoring portion of the study. In addition to monitoring, the facilities manager and the teachers of three selected classrooms will complete short questionnaires. Our RTI field staff also will use checklists to collect information by observation.

Please remember that the information collected will remain strictly confidential; the names of individual schools and staff members will not be reported to the public, State agencies, or any other government agencies. If you would like to receive the results for your school, you can request them from your district superintendent; the specific results for your school will not be provided to anyone else.

If you have questions or concerns regarding this study, please call me at the number below between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Eastern time. If you have any questions about your rights as a study participant, you can call RTI's Office of Research Protection at 1-866-214-2043 (a toll-free number). Additional information about the project can be found at the study website at http://www.arb.ca.gov/research/indoor/pcs/pcs.htm or RTI's website for this study at http://www.rti.org/units/shsp/projects/cpcs.cfm.

Sincerely,

Rebecca G. Premock RTI Project Coordinator (800) 334-8571, Ext. 7468

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December 27, 2001

School name Attn: Our Contact Address City, CA Zip

Dear Our Contact:

Thank you for your school's participation in Phase II of the California Portable Classrooms Study. We appreciate you allowing our field staff to visit your school this fall. Please accept the enclosed check as thanks for your time and help.

The California Air Resources Board (ARB) and the California Department of Health Services (DHS) are conducting this study to learn more about the environmental health conditions in California's portable classrooms. The information we collected at your school is invaluable to the success of this study.

A copy of the final report will be sent to your district next year. The study results will be used to make recommendations to the Legislature to address unhealthful environmental conditions found in portable classrooms. These recommendations will help shape future programs and funding decisions at the state level.

If you have any questions regarding this study, please call me at the number below between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Eastern time, or call Peggy Jenkins, ARB Project Officer, at 916-445-0753, or Jed Waldman, DHS Project Officer, at 510-540-2469. Additional information about the project can be found at the study website at http://www.arb.ca.gov/research/indoor/pcs/pcs.htm.

Sincerely,

Roy W. Whitmore RTI Project Director

Enclosures: check

Cc: Peggy L. Jenkins, ARB Jed Waldman, Ph.D., DHS