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**Radon Sampling Report  
Short Term Radon Testing  
for**

**Alice Peck Elementary School  
35 Hillfield Rd,  
Hamden, Connecticut**

PREPARED FOR:

Hamden Public Schools  
60 Putnam Avenue  
Hamden, CT

February 2024

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## **I. SUMMARY**

EnviroMed Services, Inc. was retained by Hamden Public Schools to conduct 5 year re-evaluation for airborne radon at the Alice Peck Elementary School at 35 Hillfield Road in Hamden, Connecticut. The purpose of this monitoring was to determine if the airborne levels were below the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recommended action level of 4.0 picoCuries per liter of air (pCi/L). The monitoring was supervised from February 27 to February 29, 2024 by radon accredited professional John Luby.

## **II. RADON FACTS AND HEALTH RISK INFORMATION**

Radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer. It is naturally occurring radioactive gas. It comes from the natural breakdown (decay) of uranium, which is found in soil and rock all over the United States. Radon travels through soil and enters buildings through cracks and other holes in the foundation. Eventually, it decays into radioactive particles that can become trapped in our lungs when we breathe. As these particles in turn decay, they release small bursts of radiation. This radiation can damage lung tissue and lead to lung cancer over the course of our lifetime.

Radon is colorless, odorless, and tasteless. The only way to determine whether or not an elevated level of radon is present in any room of a school is to conduct a radon sampling test.

## **III. SAMPLING METHODOLOGY**

### ***Radon in Air***

Monitoring was performed in 10% of occupied rooms that come in contact with the ground within the school. Eight (8) EPA approved monitoring devices were placed in designated sample locations at a minimum of 36 inches off the floor, more than one foot from exterior walls and more than three feet from windows. They were opened and allowed to be exposed to the indoor atmosphere for between forty-eight and seventy-two hours, which complies with the Connecticut Department of Public Health (CT DPH) School Radon Testing Guidance

and United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) sampling protocol. Upon completion of the monitoring, the canisters were sealed and transported to a State certified laboratory for analysis, *Aquatek Labs* in Woodbridge, Connecticut. Results can be found in **Appendix A**.

In order to provide assurance of the quality of the measurement, duplicate (10%) and blank (5%) samples accompanied all testing activities and were submitted to the laboratory at the same time. Please note that the laboratory allows for a +/- 0.5pCi/L variation on blank samples.

**IV. RADON IN AIR TEST RESULTS**

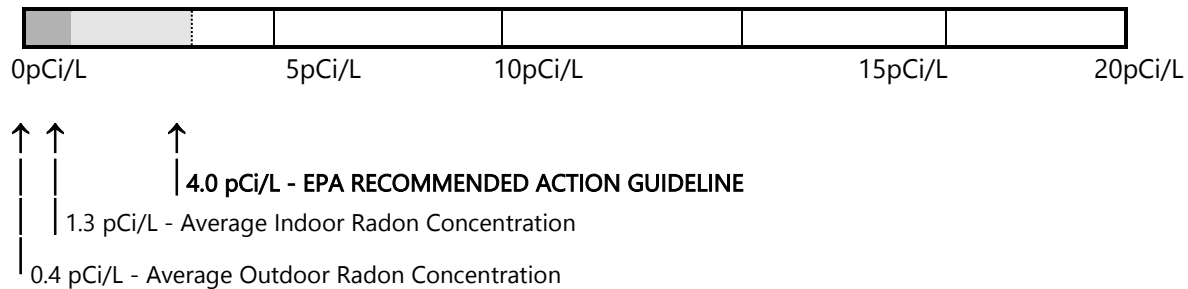
***Alice Peck Elementary School***

<i>Sample ID</i>	<i>Canister ID</i>	<i>Floor Level</i>	<i>Sample Location</i>	<i>Radon Level in pCi/L</i>
R1	RAS151	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room 15 **	< 0.5
R2	RAS152	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room 15	0.80
R3	RAS153	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Gym (Back)	< 0.5
R4	RAS154	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Gym (Front)	0.51
R5	RAS155	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Media Center (Right)	< 0.5
R6	RAS156	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Media Center (Left)	< 0.5
R7	RAD112A	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room 26*	< 0.5
R8	RAD112B	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room 26*	< 0.5

\* indicates duplicate sample

\*\* indicates blank sample

Use the following chart to compare your radon test results, expressed in picoCuries of radon per liter of air (pCi/L), with the EPA guidelines.



The CT DPH School Radon Testing Guidance and the US EPA strongly recommend taking further action when the radon test results are 4.0 picoCuries per liter of air (pCi/L) or greater.

The national average indoor radon level is about 1.3 pCi/L. The higher the radon levels the greater the health risk to occupants. Even high levels can be reduced to below 4.0 pCi/L. EPA recommends that you use an EPA or State-approved contractor trained to fix radon problems.

**V. WHAT DO THE RADON TEST RESULTS MEAN?**

If the radon level is **below 4.0 pCi/L**, you do not need to take action.

If the radon level is **4.0 pCi/L or greater**, use the following chart to determine what should be done next. Depending upon the type of test taken, you will have to either test again or take corrective actions to reduce the radon level.

Note: All tests should meet EPA technical protocols.

<i>Type of Test(s)</i>	<i>If Radon Level Is 4.0 pCi/L or Greater</i>
Single Short-Term Test	Test Again*
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One Long-Term Test	Fix The Problem

\*If your first short-term test is several times greater than 4.0 pCi/L - for example, about 10 pCi/L or higher - you should take a second short-term test immediately.

## **VI. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

Based on the results obtained from the radon monitoring at the Alice Peck Learning Center located in Hamden, Connecticut, EnviroMed Services Inc. makes the following conclusions and recommendations:

- Testing indicates that radon levels are below the EPA Action Level in the school. No further action is required. Radon re-testing is recommended at 5 year intervals.

# **Appendix A**

## **Laboratory Results**

# AQUATEK LABS

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## RADON IN AIR LIQUID SCINTILLATION REPORT

SITE: HAMDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
LOCATION: HAMDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
CLIENT NAME: ENVIROMED SERVICES

DATE: 2/26/24 - 2/29/2024

PROJ. NO.: IH-24-280

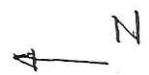
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RAS153	35 Hillfield Rd, Hamden, CT	Alice Peck Elementary   Gym (Back)	2/27/2024	12:05 PM	2/29/2024	12:48 PM	< 0.5
RAS154	35 Hillfield Rd, Hamden, CT	Alice Peck Elementary   Gym (Front)	2/27/2024	12:05 PM	2/29/2024	12:48 PM	0.51
RAS155	35 Hillfield Rd, Hamden, CT	Alice Peck Elementary   Media Center (Right)	2/27/2024	12:10 PM	2/29/2024	12:46 PM	< 0.5
RAS156	35 Hillfield Rd, Hamden, CT	Alice Peck Elementary   Media Center (Left)	2/27/2024	12:10 PM	2/29/2024	12:46 PM	< 0.5



# **Appendix B**

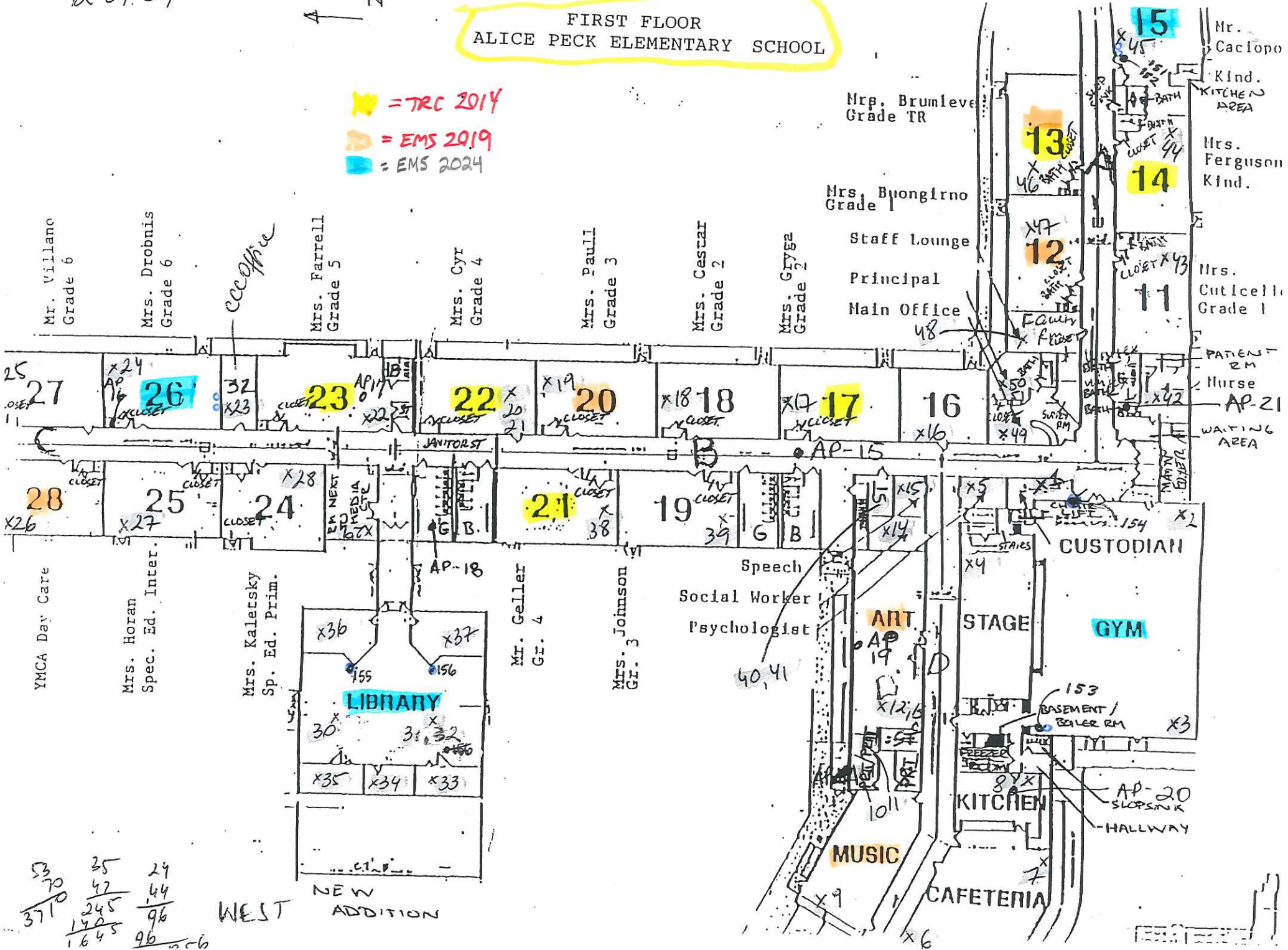
## **Radon Map Locations**

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FIRST FLOOR  
ALICE PECK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- = TRC 2014
- = EMS 2019
- = EMS 2024



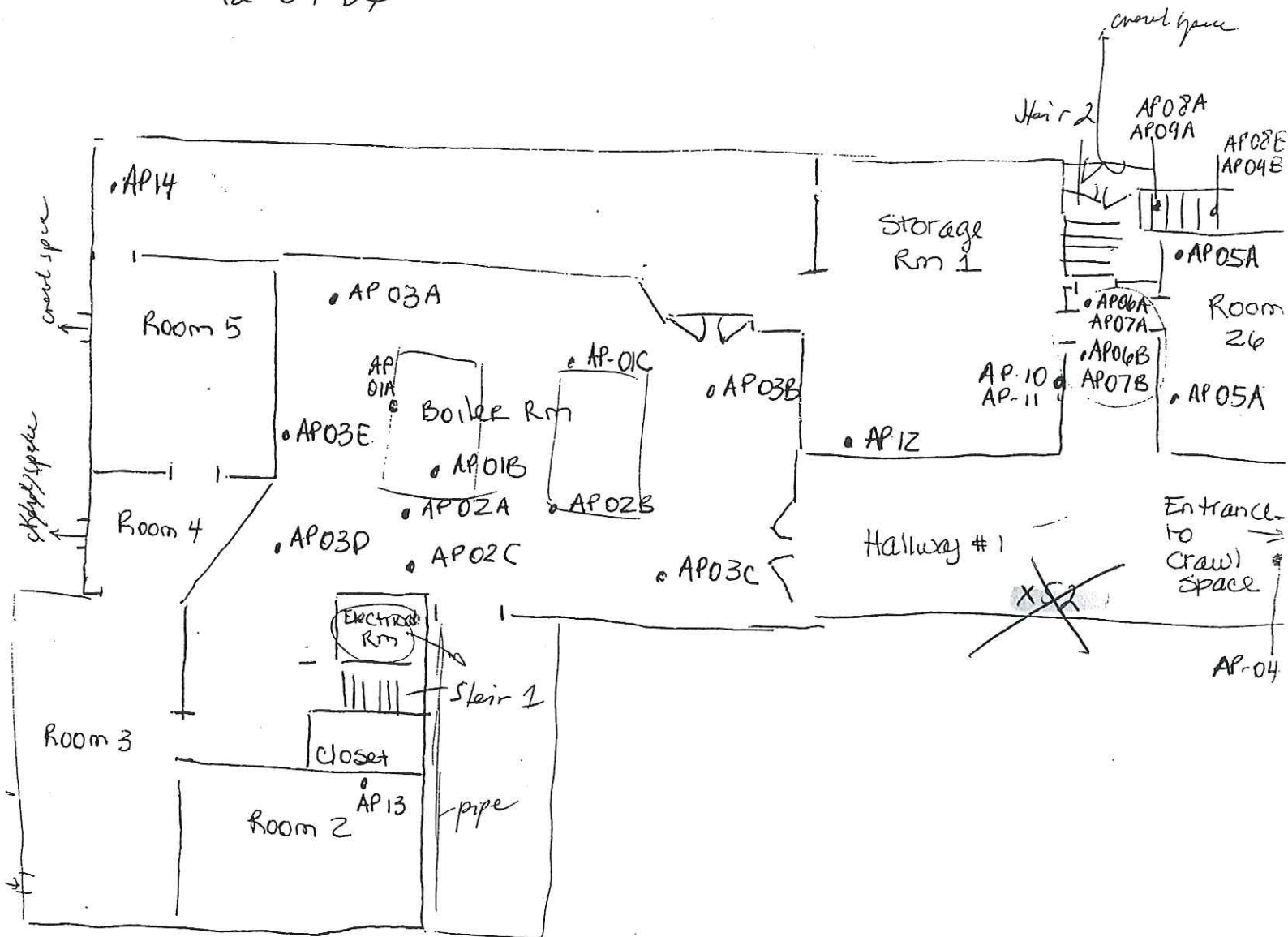
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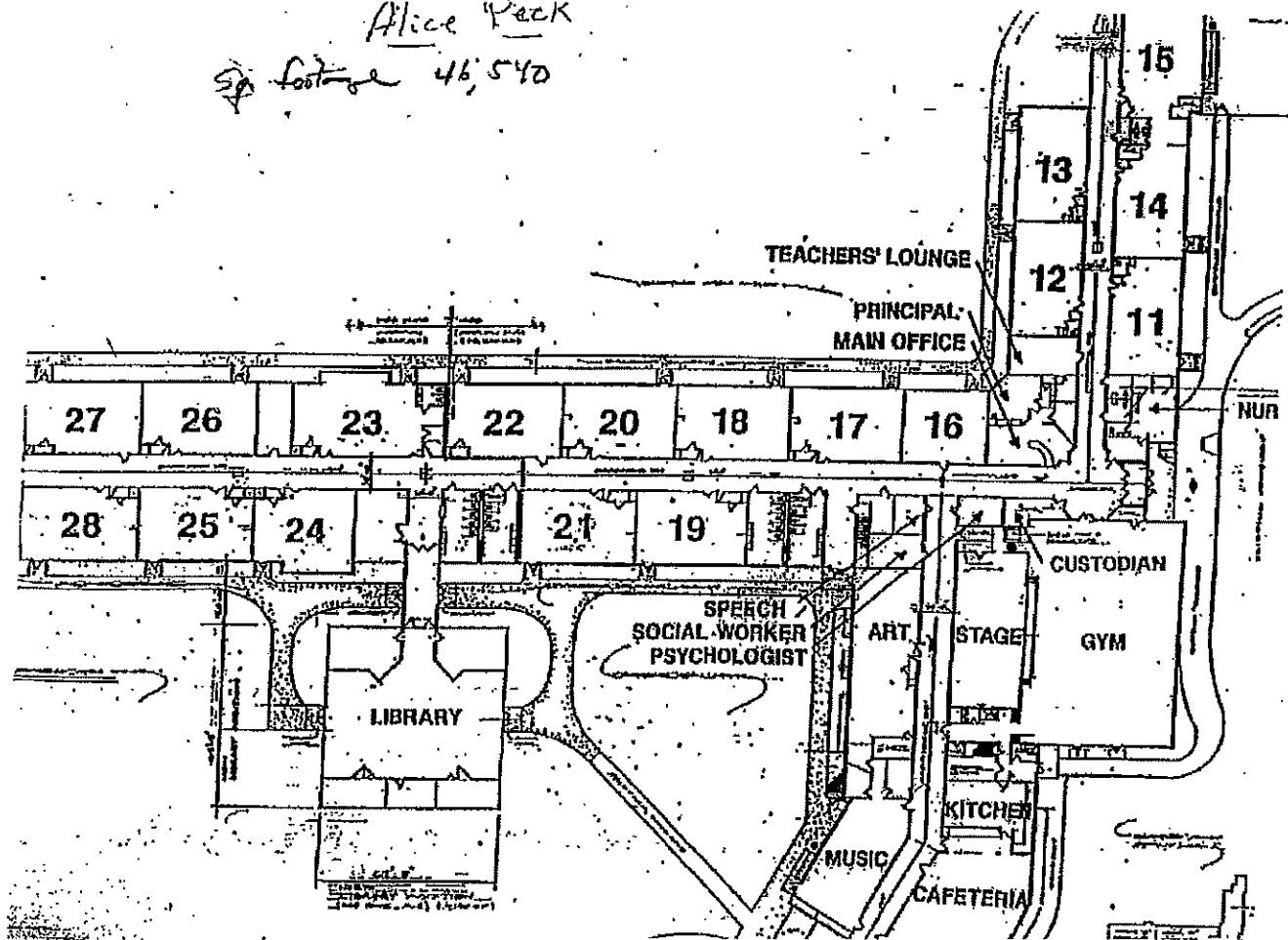
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BASEMENT  
ALICE PECK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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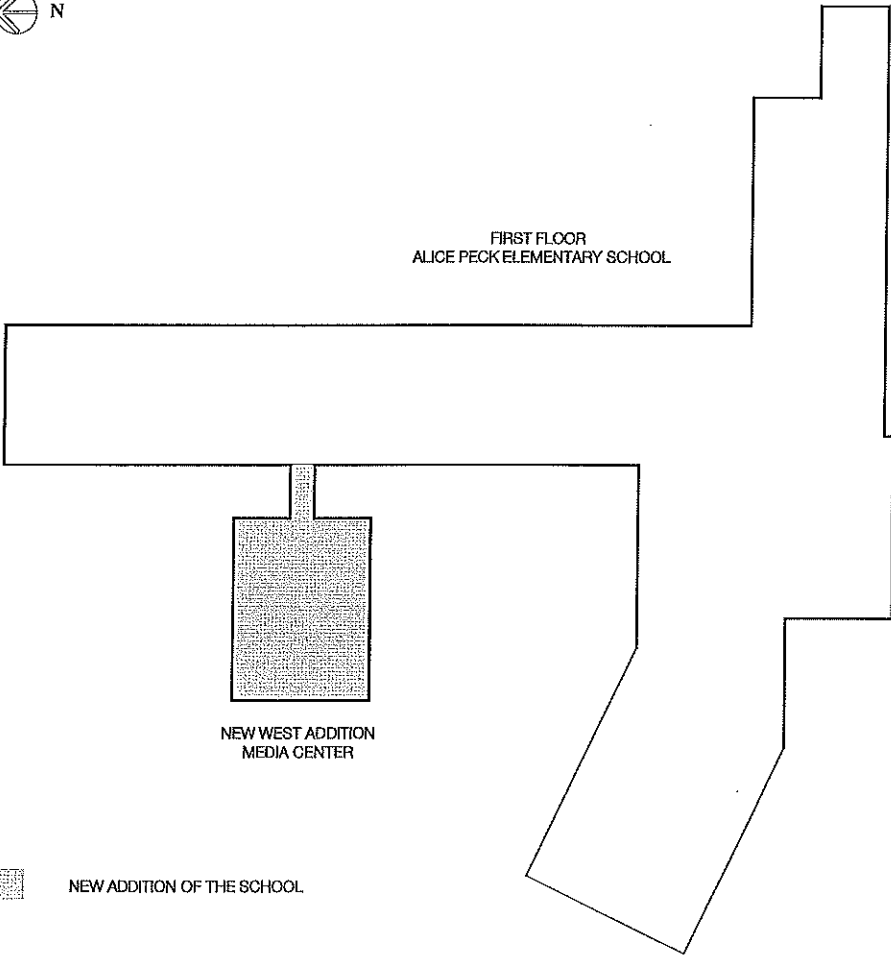


Alice Peck  
sq footage 46,540





FIRST FLOOR  
ALICE PECKE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



NEW WEST ADDITION  
MEDIA CENTER



NEW ADDITION OF THE SCHOOL

HILLFIELD ROAD



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**Bear Path School  
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**Appendix A: Laboratory Results**

**Appendix B: Radon Location Map**

## **I. SUMMARY**

EnviroMed Services, Inc. was retained by Hamden Public Schools to conduct 5 year re-evaluation for airborne radon at the Bear Path School at 10 Kirk Road in Hamden, Connecticut. The purpose of this monitoring was to determine if the airborne levels were below the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recommended action level of 4.0 picoCuries per liter of air (pCi/L). The monitoring was supervised from February 26 to February 28, 2024, by radon accredited professional John Luby.

## **II. RADON FACTS AND HEALTH RISK INFORMATION**

Radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer. It is naturally occurring radioactive gas. It comes from the natural breakdown (decay) of uranium, which is found in soil and rock all over the United States. Radon travels through soil and enters buildings through cracks and other holes in the foundation. Eventually, it decays into radioactive particles that can become trapped in our lungs when we breathe. As these particles in turn decay, they release small bursts of radiation. This radiation can damage lung tissue and lead to lung cancer over the course of our lifetime.

Radon is colorless, odorless, and tasteless. The only way to determine whether or not an elevated level of radon is present in any room of a school is to conduct a radon sampling test.

## **III. SAMPLING METHODOLOGY**

### ***Radon in Air***

Monitoring was performed in 10% of occupied rooms that come in contact with the ground within the school. Eight (8) EPA approved monitoring devices were placed in designated sample locations at a minimum of 36 inches off the floor, more than one foot from exterior walls and more than three feet from windows. They were opened and allowed to be exposed to the indoor atmosphere for between forty-eight and seventy-two hours, which complies with the Connecticut Department of Public Health (CT DPH) School Radon Testing Guidance



and United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) sampling protocol. Upon completion of the monitoring, the canisters were sealed and transported to a State certified laboratory for analysis, *Aquatek Labs* in Woodbridge, Connecticut. Results can be found in **Appendix A**.

In order to provide assurance of the quality of the measurement, duplicate (10%) and blank (5%) samples accompanied all testing activities and were submitted to the laboratory at the same time. Please note that the laboratory allows for a +/- 0.5pCi/L variation on blank samples.

**IV. RADON IN AIR TEST RESULTS**

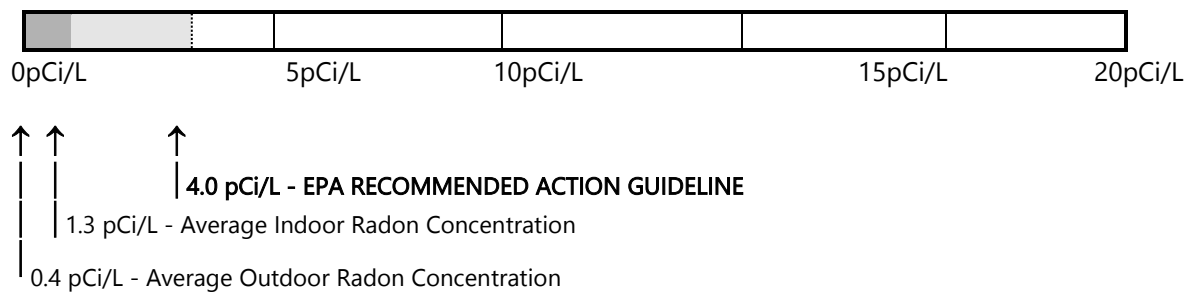
***Bear Path School***

<i>Sample ID</i>	<i>Canister ID</i>	<i>Floor Level</i>	<i>Sample Location</i>	<i>Radon Level in pCi/L</i>
R1	RAS122	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room 104**	< 0.5
R2	RAS123	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room 104	0.58
R3	RAS124	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room 113	0.62
R4	RAS125	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room 133	1.64
R5	RAS126	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Right Side Media Center	1.6
R6	RAS127	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Left Side Media Center	1.66
R7	RAD106A	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Main Office*	1.28
R8	RAD106B	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Main Office*	1.05

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The national average indoor radon level is about 1.3 pCi/L. The higher the radon levels the greater the health risk to occupants. Even high levels can be reduced to below 4.0 pCi/L. EPA recommends that you use an EPA or State-approved contractor trained to fix radon problems.

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**VI. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

Based on the results obtained from the radon monitoring at Bear Path School located in Hamden, Connecticut, EnviroMed Services Inc. makes the following conclusions and recommendations:

- Testing indicates that radon levels are below the EPA Action Level in the school. No further action is required. Radon re-testing is recommended at 5 year intervals.

# **Appendix A**

## **Laboratory Results**

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## RADON IN AIR LIQUID SCINTILLATION REPORT

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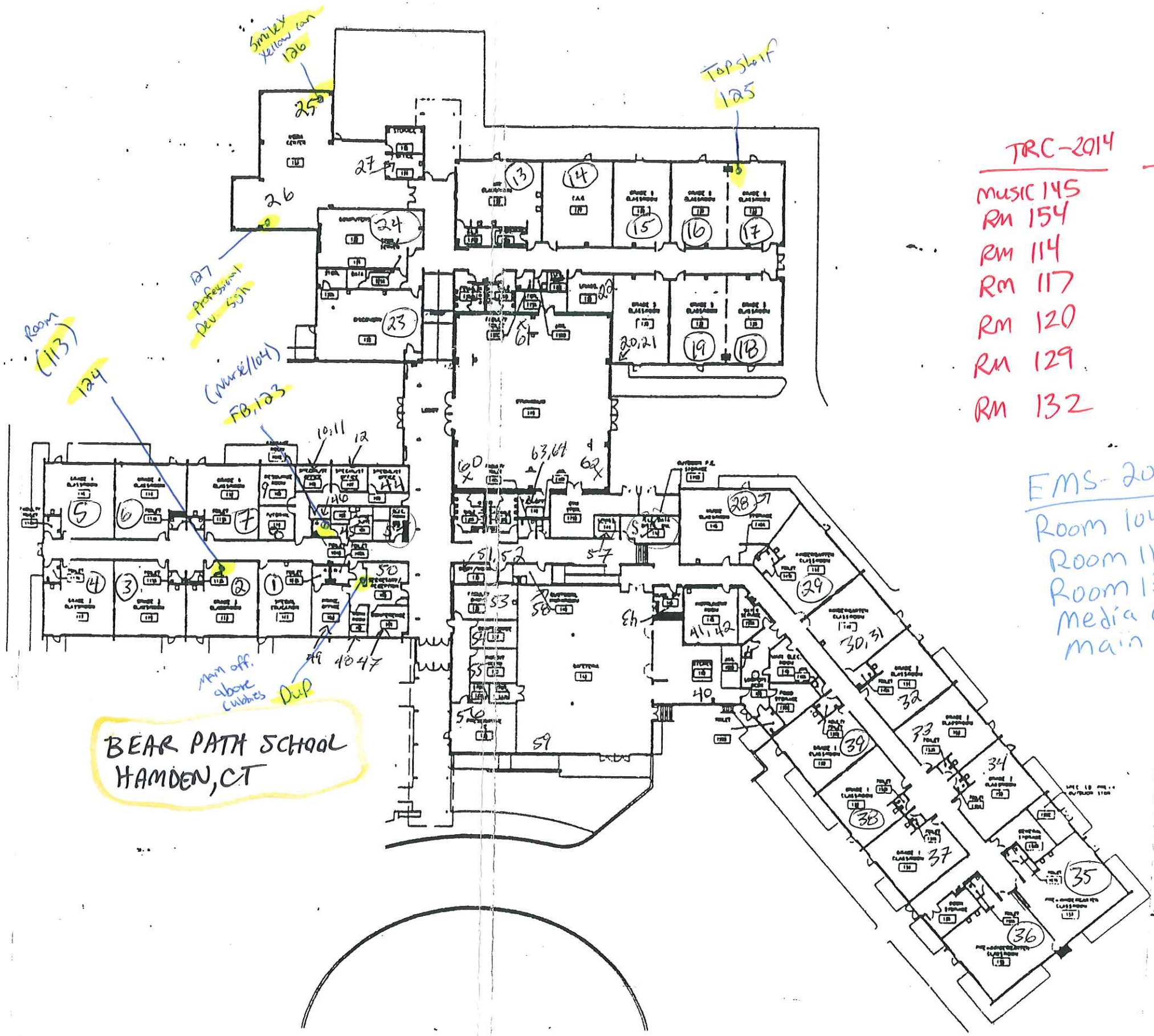
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RAS122	10 Kirk Road, Hamden, CT	Bear Path Elementary School   Room 104 (Feild Blank)	2/26/2024	2:50 PM	2/28/2024	2:55 PM	< 0.5
RAS123	10 Kirk Road, Hamden, CT	Bear Path Elementary School   Room 104	2/26/2024	2:50 PM	2/28/2024	2:55 PM	0.58
RAS124	10 Kirk Road, Hamden, CT	Bear Path Elementary School   Room 113	2/26/2024	2:55 PM	2/28/2024	3:00 PM	0.62
RAS125	10 Kirk Road, Hamden, CT	Bear Path Elementary School   Room 133	2/26/2024	3:05 PM	2/28/2024	3:10 PM	1.64
RAS126	10 Kirk Road, Hamden, CT	Bear Path Elementary School   Right Side Media Room	2/26/2024	3:10 PM	2/28/2024	3:15 PM	1.6
RAS127	10 Kirk Road, Hamden, CT	Bear Path Elementary School   Left Side Media Room	2/26/2024	3:12 PM	2/28/2024	3:17 PM	1.66
RAD106 A & B	10 Kirk Road, Hamden, CT	Bear Path Elementary School   Main Office	2/26/2024	3:20 PM	2/28/2024	3:25 PM	1.28/1.05

# **Appendix B**

## **Radon Map Location**



BEAR PATH SCHOOL  
HAMDEN, CT

- | <u>TRC-2014</u> | <u>EMS-2019</u> |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| MUSIC 145       | Rm 111          |
| Rm 154          | Rm 116          |
| Rm 114          | Rm 122          |
| Rm 117          | Rm 127          |
| Rm 120          | Rm 132          |
| Rm 129          | Rm 151          |
| Rm 132          | Rm 158          |

- EMS-2024
- Room 104
  - Room 113
  - Room 133
  - Media center
  - main office



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**Central Administration  
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**Appendix A: Laboratory Results**

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## **I. SUMMARY**

EnviroMed Services, Inc. was retained by Hamden Public Schools to conduct 5 year re-evaluation for airborne radon at the Central Administration at 60 **Putnam Ave** in Hamden, Connecticut. The purpose of this monitoring was to determine if the airborne levels were below the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recommended action level of 4.0 picoCuries per liter of air (pCi/L). The monitoring was supervised from February 27 to February 29, 2024 by radon accredited professional John Luby.

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## **III. SAMPLING METHODOLOGY**

### ***Radon in Air***

Monitoring was performed in 10% of occupied rooms that come in contact with the ground within the school. Six (6) EPA approved monitoring devices were placed in designated sample locations at a minimum of 36 inches off the floor, more than one foot from exterior walls and more than three feet from windows. They were opened and allowed to be exposed to the indoor atmosphere for between forty-eight and seventy-two hours, which complies with the Connecticut Department of Public Health (CT DPH) School Radon Testing Guidance and United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) sampling protocol. Upon

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**IV. RADON IN AIR TEST RESULTS**

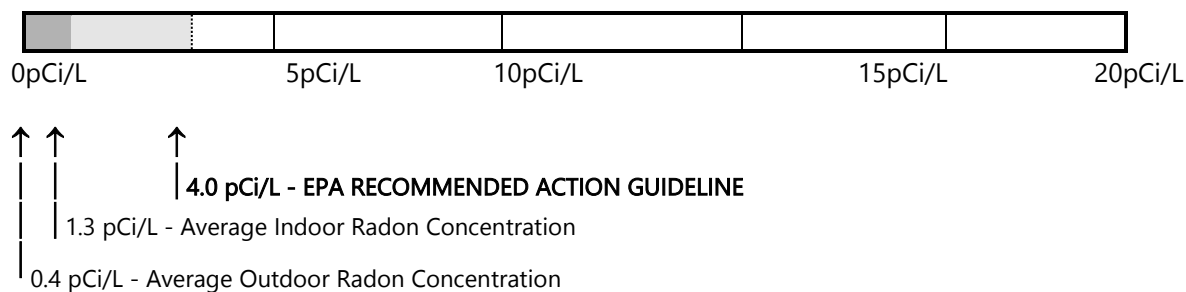
**Central Administration**

<i>Sample ID</i>	<i>Canister ID</i>	<i>Floor Level</i>	<i>Sample Location</i>	<i>Radon Level in pCi/L</i>
R1	RAS139	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Gym (Right Side) **	< 0.5
R2	RAS140	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Gym (Right Side)	2.28
R3	RAS141	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Gym (Left Side)	1.69
R4	RAS142	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Steps Class #1	1.29
R5	RAD107A	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Nurse Office *	1.13
R6	RAD107B	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Nurse Office *	1.10

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**V. WHAT DO THE RADON TEST RESULTS MEAN?**

If the radon level is **below 4.0 pCi/L**, you do not need to take action.

If the radon level is **4.0 pCi/L or greater**, use the following chart to determine what should be done next. Depending upon the type of test taken, you will have to either test again or take corrective actions to reduce the radon level.

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\*If your first short-term test is several times greater than 4.0 pCi/L - for example, about 10 pCi/L or higher - you should take a second short-term test immediately.

## **VI. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

Based on the results obtained from the radon monitoring at the Central Administration located in Hamden, Connecticut, EnviroMed Services Inc. makes the following conclusions and recommendations:

- Testing indicates that radon levels are below the EPA Action Level in the building. No further action is required. Radon re-testing is recommended at 5 year intervals.

# **Appendix A**

## **Laboratory Results**

**AQUATEK LABS**

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**RADON IN AIR LIQUID SCINTILLATION REPORT**

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**LOCATION: HAMDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
**CLIENT NAME: ENVIROMED SERVICES**

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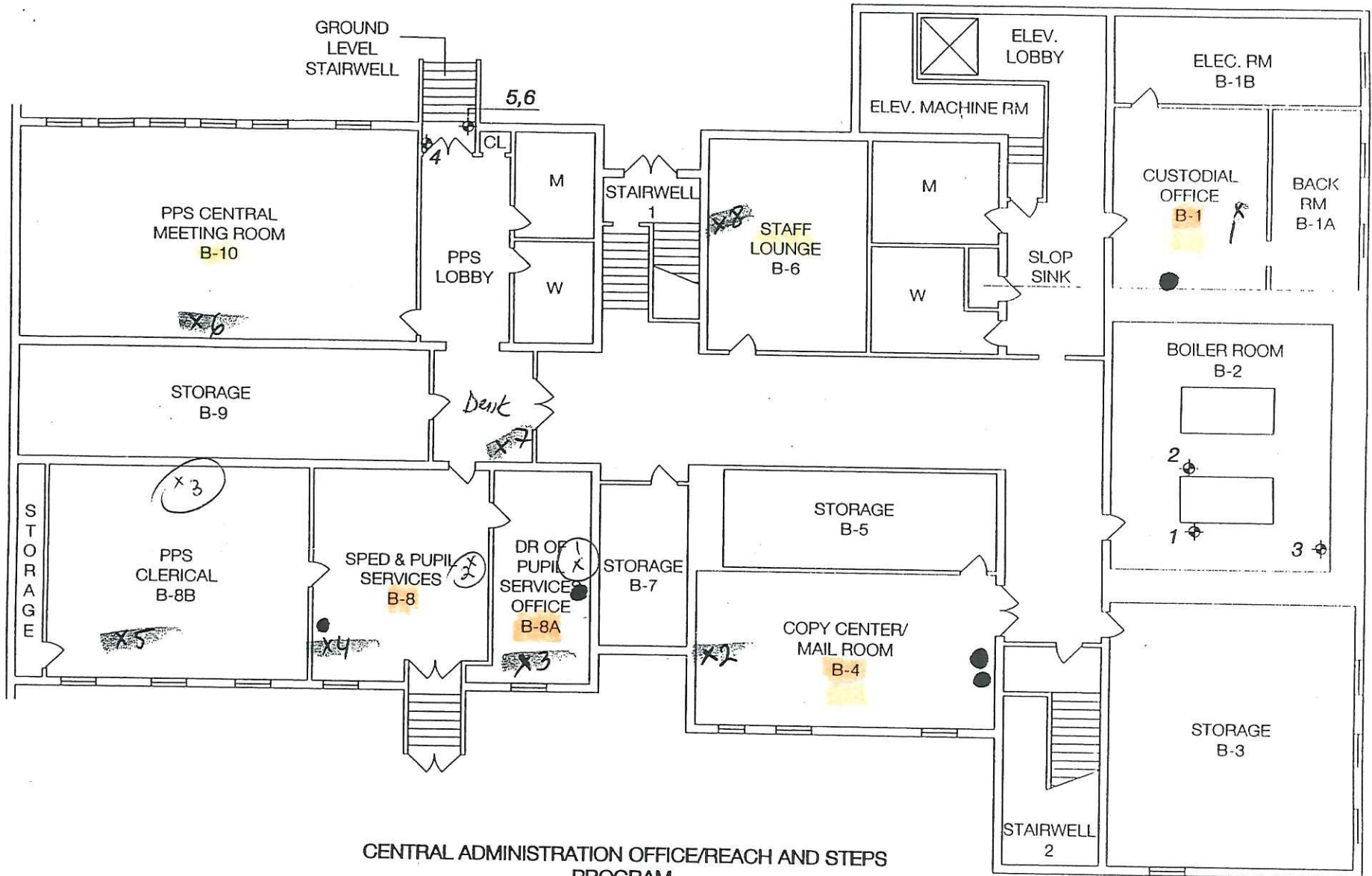
RAS139	60 Putnam Avenue, Hamden CT	Central Admin   Right Side Gym (Field Blank)	2/27/2024	9:45 AM	2/29/2024	10:01 AM	< 0.5
RAS140	60 Putnam Avenue, Hamden CT	Central Admin   Right Side Gym	2/27/2024	9:45 AM	2/29/2024	10:01 AM	2.28
RAS141	60 Putnam Avenue, Hamden CT	Central Admin   Left Side Gym	2/27/2024	9:45 AM	2/29/2024	10:02 AM	1.69
RAS142	60 Putnam Avenue, Hamden CT	Central Admin   Steps Class #1	2/27/2024	9:50 AM	2/29/2024	10:02 AM	1.29
RAD108 A & B	60 Putnam Avenue, Hamden CT	Central Admin   Nurse's Office	2/27/2024	9:55 AM	2/29/2024	10:04 AM	1.13/1.10

# **Appendix B**

## **Radon Canister Placement Map**



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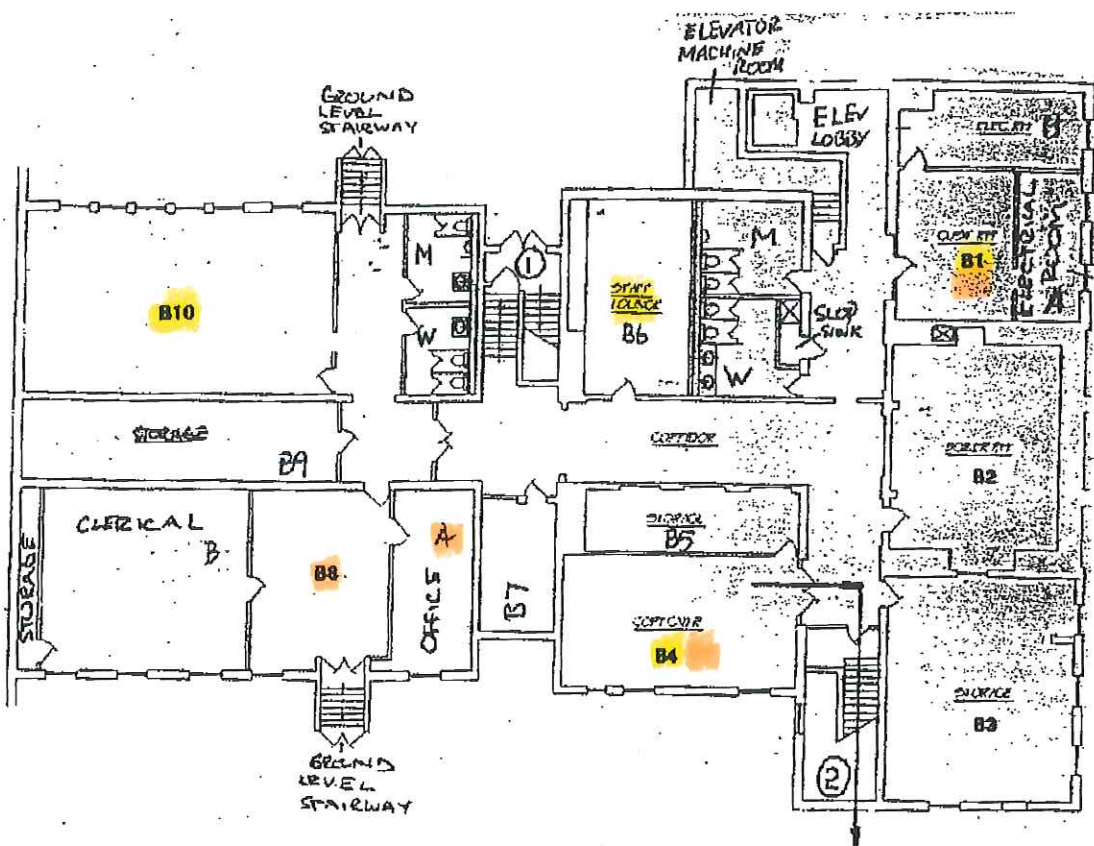
CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION OFFICE/REACH AND STEPS PROGRAM  
 60 PUTNOM AVANUE, HAMDEN, CT  
 BASEMENT AND BULK SAMPLE LOCATION DIAGRAM  
 DECEMBER 2005

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LEGEND:

⊕ = SAMPLE NUMBER AND LOCATION

- = TRC 2014
- = EMS 2019
- = EMS 2024



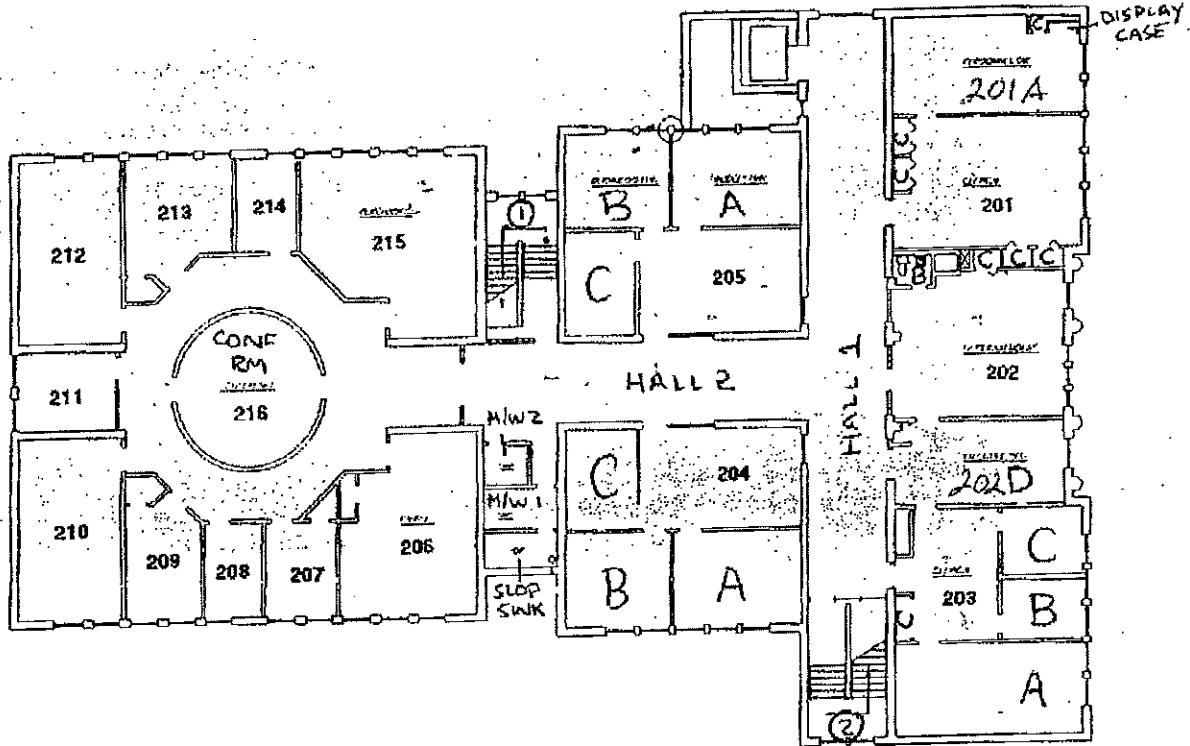
# BASEMENT

CENTRAL ADMIN OFFICE  
 60 PUTNAM AVE  
 HAMDEN, CT

+ Psychology TRC 2014

- = TRC 2014
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## SECOND FLOOR

CENTRAL ADMIN OFFICE  
 60 PUTNAM AVE  
 HAMDEN, CT



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## **I. SUMMARY**

EnviroMed Services, Inc. was retained by Hamden Public Schools to conduct 5-year re-evaluation for airborne radon at the Church Street School at 95 Church Street in Hamden, Connecticut. The purpose of this monitoring was to determine if the airborne levels were below the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recommended action level of 4.0 picoCuries per liter of air (pCi/L). The monitoring was conducted from February 26 to February 28, 2024 by National Radon Proficiency Program (NRPP) accredited professional John Luby.

## **II. RADON FACTS AND HEALTH RISK INFORMATION**

Radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer. It is naturally occurring radioactive gas. It comes from the natural breakdown (decay) of uranium, which is found in soil and rock all over the United States. Radon travels through soil and enters buildings through cracks and other holes in the foundation. Eventually, it decays into radioactive particles that can become trapped in our lungs when we breathe. As these particles in turn decay, they release small bursts of radiation. This radiation can damage lung tissue and lead to lung cancer over the course of our lifetime.

Radon is colorless, odorless, and tasteless. The only way to determine whether or not an elevated level of radon is present in any room of a school is to conduct a radon sampling test.

## **III. SAMPLING METHODOLOGY**

### ***Radon in Air***

Monitoring was performed in 10% of occupied rooms that come in contact with the ground within the school. Five (5) EPA approved monitoring devices were placed in designated sample locations at a minimum of 36 inches off the floor, more than one foot from exterior walls and more than three feet from windows. They were opened and allowed to be exposed to the indoor atmosphere for between forty-eight and seventy-two hours, which complies with the Connecticut Department of Public Health (CT DPH) School Radon Testing Guidance

and United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) sampling protocol. Upon completion of the monitoring, the canisters were sealed and transported to a State certified laboratory for analysis, *Aquatek Labs* in Woodbridge, Connecticut. Results can be found in **Appendix A**.

In order to provide assurance of the quality of the measurement, duplicate (10%) and blank (5%) samples accompanied all testing activities and were submitted to the laboratory at the same time. Please note that the laboratory allows for a +/- 0.5pCi/L variation on blank samples.

**IV. RADON IN AIR TEST RESULTS**

***Church Street School***

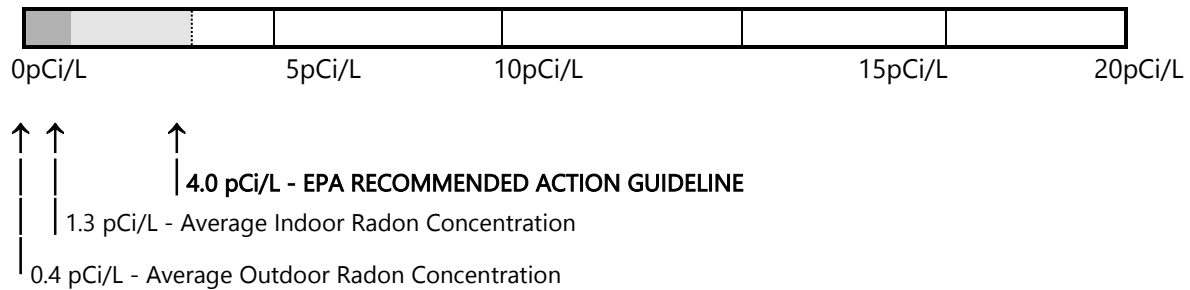
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R1	RAS109**	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Nurses Office (Field Blank)	< 0.5
R2	RAS110	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Nurses Office	0.57
R3	RAS111	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	C-11	0.88
R4	RAD103A*	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Main Office	0.56
R5	RAD103B*	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Main Office	0.57

\* indicates duplicate sample

\*\* indicates blank sample



Use the following chart to compare your radon test results, expressed in picoCuries of radon per liter of air (pCi/L), with the EPA guidelines.



The CT DPH School Radon Testing Guidance and the US EPA strongly recommend taking further action when the radon test results are 4.0 picoCuries per liter of air (pCi/L) or greater.

The national average indoor radon level is about 1.3 pCi/L. The higher the radon levels the greater the health risk to occupants. Even high levels can be reduced to below 4.0 pCi/L. EPA recommends that you use an EPA or State-approved contractor trained to fix radon problems.

**V. WHAT DO THE RADON TEST RESULTS MEAN?**

If the radon level is **below 4.0 pCi/L**, you do not need to take action.

If the radon level is **4.0 pCi/L or greater**, use the following chart to determine what should be done next. Depending upon the type of test taken, you will have to either test again or take corrective actions to reduce the radon level.

Note: All tests should meet EPA technical protocols.

<i>Type of Test(s)</i>	<i>If Radon Level Is 4.0 pCi/L or Greater</i>
Single Short-Term Test	Test Again*
Average of Short-Term Tests	Fix The Problem
One Long-Term Test	Fix The Problem

\*If your first short-term test is several times greater than 4.0 pCi/L - for example, about 10 pCi/L or higher - you should take a second short-term test immediately.

## **VI. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

Based on the results obtained from the radon monitoring at Church Street School located in Hamden, Connecticut, EnviroMed Services Inc. makes the following conclusions and recommendations:

- Testing indicates that radon levels are below the EPA Action Level in the school. No further action is required. Radon re-testing is recommended at 5 year intervals.

# **Appendix A**

## **Laboratory Results**

# AQUATEK LABS

NRSB #6SS0078

## RADON IN AIR LIQUID SCINTILLATION REPORT

SITE: HAMDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
LOCATION: HAMDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
CLIENT NAME: ENVIROMED SERVICES

DATE: 2/26/24 - 2/29/2024

PROJ. NO.: IH-24-280

RAS109	95 Church Street, Hamden, CT	Church Street School   Nurse's Office (Field Blank)	2/26/2024	11:43 AM	2/28/2024	12:07 PM	< 0.5
RAS110	95 Church Street, Hamden, CT	Church Street School   Nurse's Office	2/26/2024	11:43 AM	2/28/2024	12:07 PM	0.57
RAS111	95 Church Street, Hamden, CT	Church Street School   C-11	2/26/2024	11:46 AM	2/28/2024	12:08 PM	0.88
RAD103 A & B	95 Church Street, Hamden, CT	Church Street School   Main Office	2/26/2024	11:48 AM	2/28/2024	12:05 PM	0.56/0.57

# **Appendix B**

## **Radon Sample Locations**

# Church St. School

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2005-2006

TRC-2014

EMS-2019

A-12

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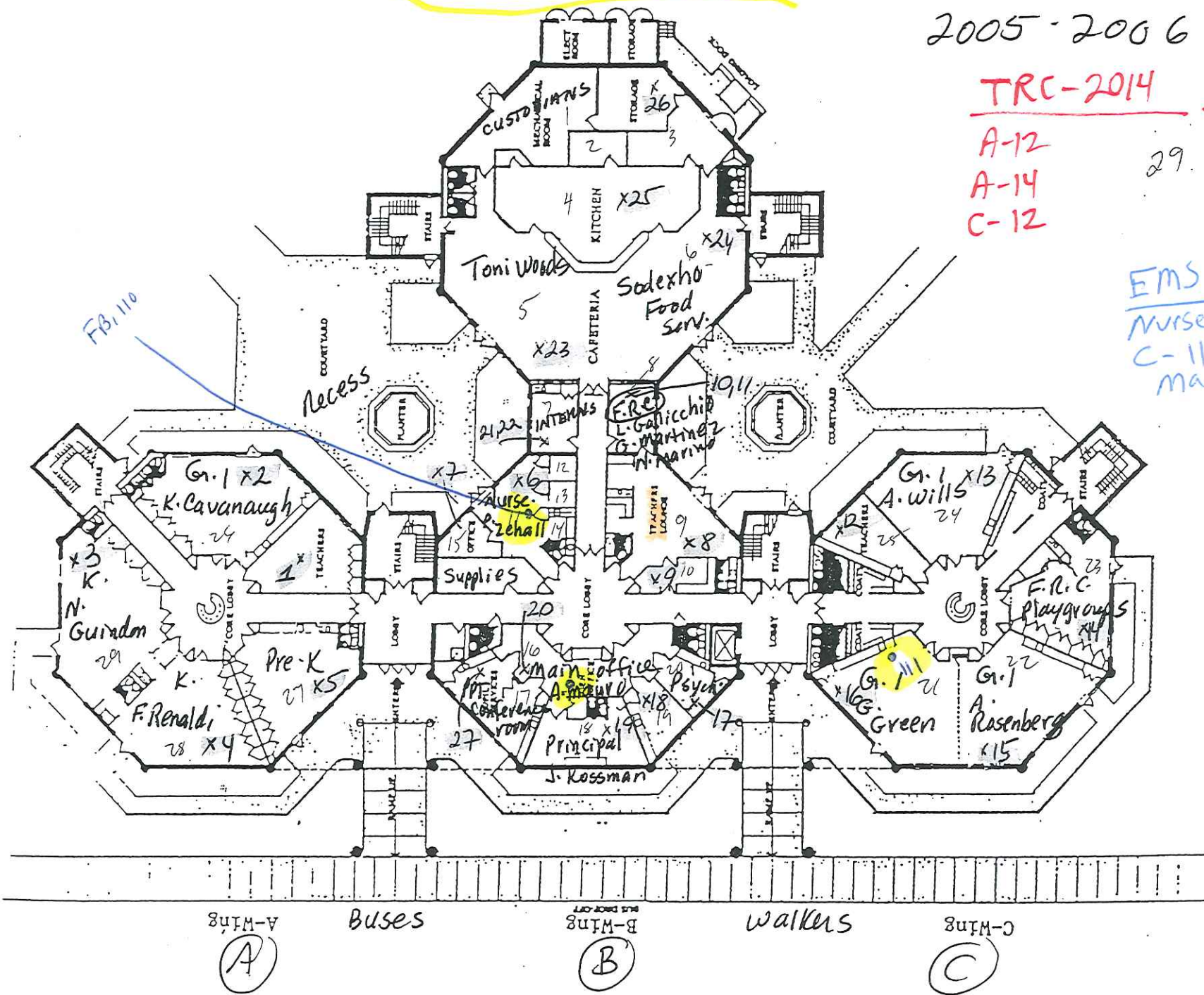
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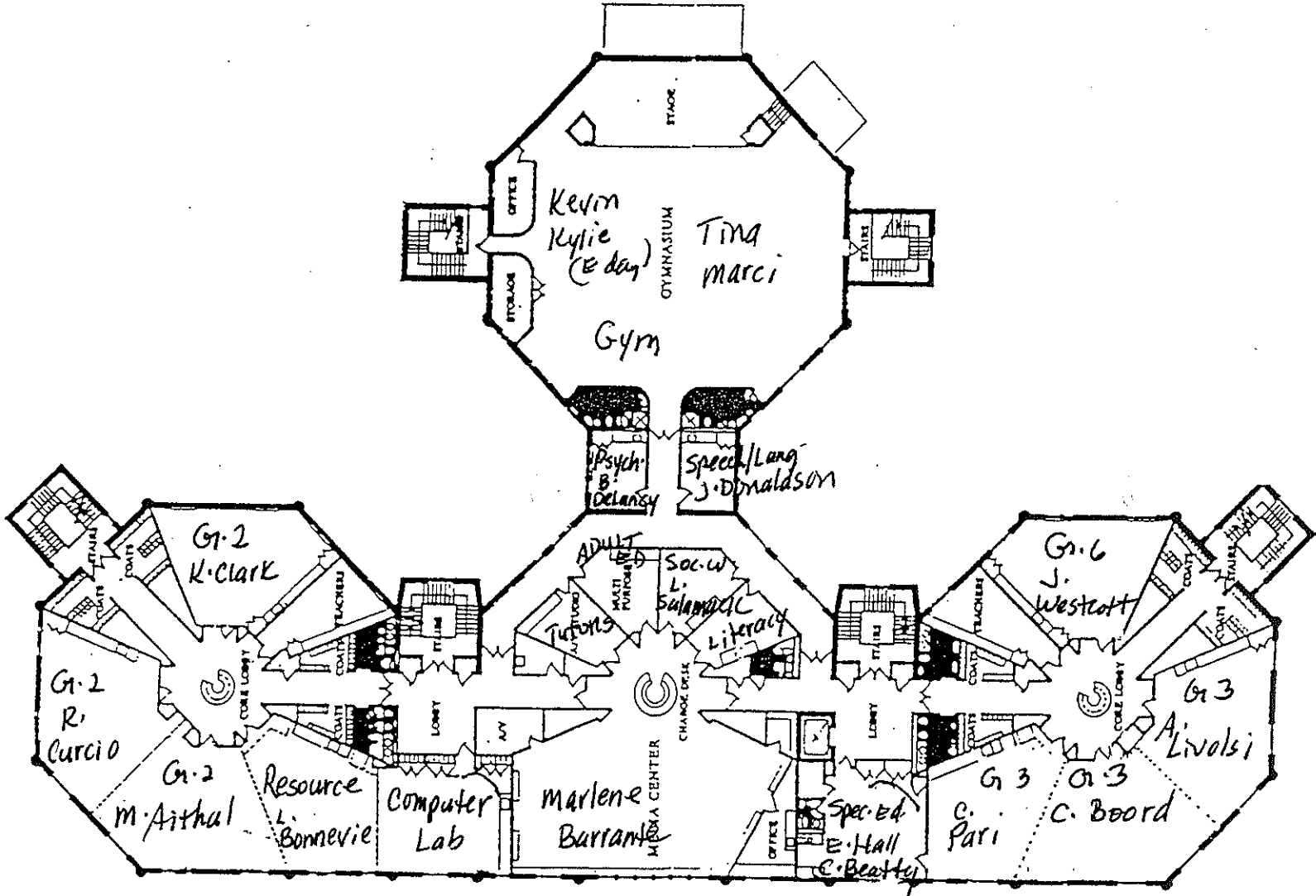
STAFF LOUNGE

EMS 2024  
Nurses office  
C-11  
Main office



FIRST FLOOR



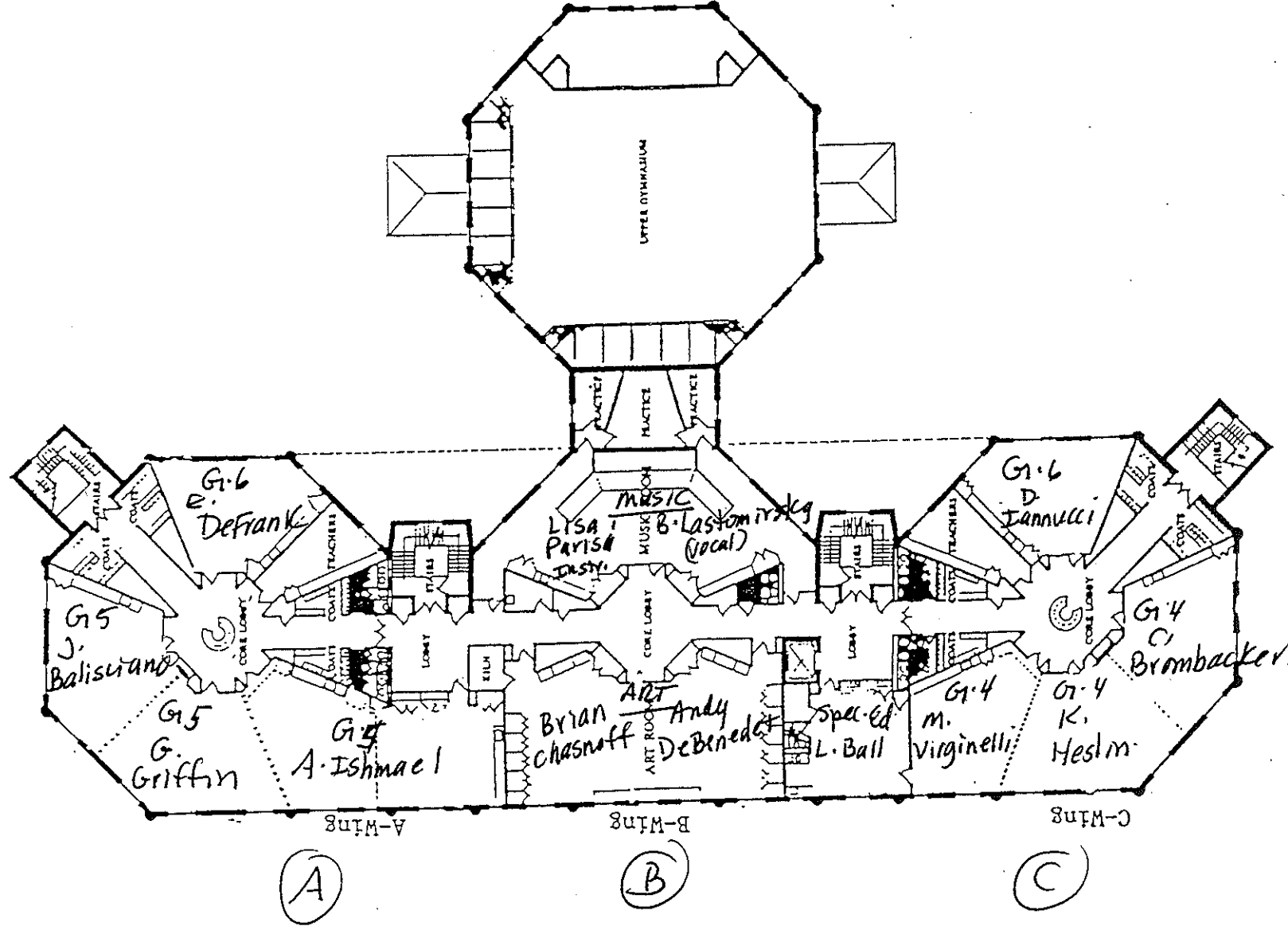


A-Wing  
(A)

B-Wing  
(B)

C-Wing  
(C)

SECOND FLOOR



THIRD FLOOR





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**Radon Sampling Report  
Short Term Radon Testing  
for**

**Dunbar Hill School,  
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Hamden, Connecticut**

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**Appendix A: Laboratory Results**

**Appendix B: Radon Sample Locations**

## **I. SUMMARY**

EnviroMed Services, Inc. was retained by Hamden Public Schools to conduct 5-year re-evaluation for airborne radon at the Dunbar Hill School at 315 Lane Street in Hamden, Connecticut. The purpose of this monitoring was to determine if the airborne levels were below the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recommended action level of 4.0 picoCuries per liter of air (pCi/L). The monitoring was supervised from February 26 to February 28, 2024 by radon accredited professional John Luby.

## **II. RADON FACTS AND HEALTH RISK INFORMATION**

Radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer. It is naturally occurring radioactive gas. It comes from the natural breakdown (decay) of uranium, which is found in soil and rock all over the United States. Radon travels through soil and enters buildings through cracks and other holes in the foundation. Eventually, it decays into radioactive particles that can become trapped in our lungs when we breathe. As these particles in turn decay, they release small bursts of radiation. This radiation can damage lung tissue and lead to lung cancer over the course of our lifetime.

Radon is colorless, odorless, and tasteless. The only way to determine whether or not an elevated level of radon is present in any room of a school is to conduct a radon sampling test.

## **III. SAMPLING METHODOLOGY**

### ***Radon in Air***

Monitoring was performed in 10% of occupied rooms that come in contact with the ground within the school. Eight (8) EPA approved monitoring devices were placed in designated sample locations at a minimum of 36 inches off the floor, more than one foot from exterior walls and more than three feet from windows. They were opened and allowed to be exposed to the indoor atmosphere for between forty-eight and seventy-two hours, which complies with the Connecticut Department of Public Health (CT DPH) School Radon Testing Guidance

and United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) sampling protocol. Upon completion of the monitoring, the canisters were sealed and transported to a State certified laboratory for analysis, *Aquatek Labs* in Woodbridge, Connecticut. Results can be found in **Appendix A**.

In order to provide assurance of the quality of the measurement, duplicate (10%) and blank (5%) samples accompanied all testing activities and were submitted to the laboratory at the same time. Please note that the laboratory allows for a +/- 0.5pCi/L variation on blank samples.

**IV. RADON IN AIR TEST RESULTS**

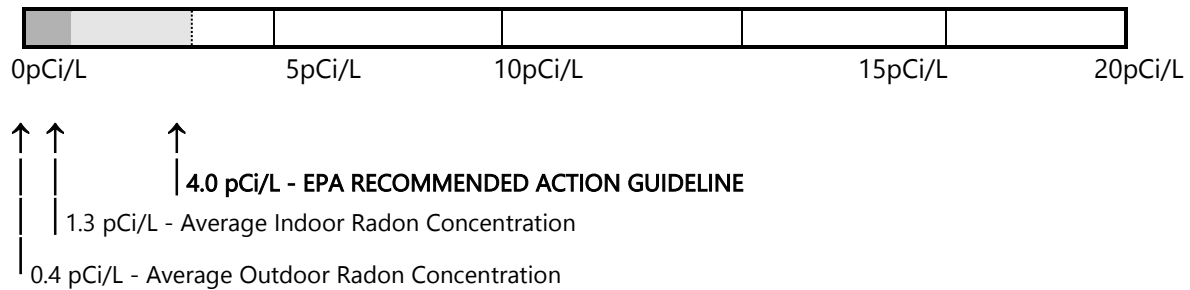
***Dunbar Hill School***

<i>Sample ID</i>	<i>Canister ID</i>	<i>Floor Level</i>	<i>Sample Location</i>	<i>Radon Level in pCi/L</i>
R1	RAS116**	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Classroom #6 (Field Blank)	< 0.5
R2	RAS117	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Classroom #6	< 0.5
R3	RAS118	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Classroom#2	< 0.5
R4	RAS119	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Health Office	< 0.5
R5	RAS120	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Staff Lounge/Conference Room	< 0.5
R6	RAS121	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Practice Room #3	< 0.5
R7	RAD105A*	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Computer Lab	< 0.5
R8	RAD105B*	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Computer Lab	< 0.5

\* indicates duplicate sample

\*\* indicates blank sample

Use the following chart to compare your radon test results, expressed in picoCuries of radon per liter of air (pCi/L), with the EPA guidelines.



The CT DPH School Radon Testing Guidance and the US EPA strongly recommend taking further action when the radon test results are 4.0 picoCuries per liter of air (pCi/L) or greater.

The national average indoor radon level is about 1.3 pCi/L. The higher the radon levels the greater the health risk to occupants. Even high levels can be reduced to below 4.0 pCi/L. EPA recommends that you use an EPA or State-approved contractor trained to fix radon problems.

**V. WHAT DO THE RADON TEST RESULTS MEAN?**

If the radon level is **below 4.0 pCi/L**, you do not need to take action.

If the radon level is **4.0 pCi/L or greater**, use the following chart to determine what should be done next. Depending upon the type of test taken, you will have to either test again or take corrective actions to reduce the radon level.

Note: All tests should meet EPA technical protocols.

<i>Type of Test(s)</i>	<i>If Radon Level Is 4.0 pCi/L or Greater</i>
Single Short-Term Test	Test Again*
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\*If your first short-term test is several times greater than 4.0 pCi/L - for example, about 10 pCi/L or higher - you should take a second short-term test immediately.

## **VI. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

Based on the results obtained from the radon monitoring at Dunbar Hill School located in Hamden, Connecticut, EnviroMed Services Inc. makes the following conclusions and recommendations:

- Testing indicates that radon levels are below the EPA Action Level in the school. No further action is required. Radon re-testing is recommended at 5-year intervals.

# **Appendix A**

## **Laboratory Results**

# AQUATEK LABS

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## RADON IN AIR LIQUID SCINTILLATION REPORT

**SITE: HAMDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
**LOCATION: HAMDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
**CLIENT NAME: ENVIROMED SERVICES**

**DATE: 2/26/24 - 2/29/2024**

**PROJ. NO.: IH-24-280**

RAS116	315 Lane Street, Hamden, CT	Dunbar Hill School   Classroom #6 (Field Blank)	2/26/2024	1:50 PM	2/28/2024	1:55 PM	< 0.5
RAS117	315 Lane Street, Hamden, CT	Dunbar Hill School   Classroom #6	2/26/2024	1:50 PM	2/28/2024	1:55 PM	< 0.5
RAS118	315 Lane Street, Hamden, CT	Dunbar Hill School   Classroom #2	2/26/2024	1:55 PM	2/28/2024	2:00 PM	< 0.5
RAS119	315 Lane Street, Hamden, CT	Dunbar Hill School   Health Office	2/26/2024	2:00 PM	2/28/2024	2:05 PM	< 0.5
RAS120	315 Lane Street, Hamden, CT	Dunbar Hill School   Staff Lounge/Conference Room	2/26/2024	2:05 PM	2/28/2024	2:10 PM	< 0.5
RAS121	315 Lane Street, Hamden, CT	Dunbar Hill School   Practice Room #3	2/26/2024	2:15 PM	2/28/2024	2:18 PM	< 0.5
RAD105 A & B	315 Lane Street, Hamden, CT	Dunbar Hill School   Computer Lab	2/26/2024	2:10 PM	2/28/2024	2:15 PM	< 0.5/< 0.5



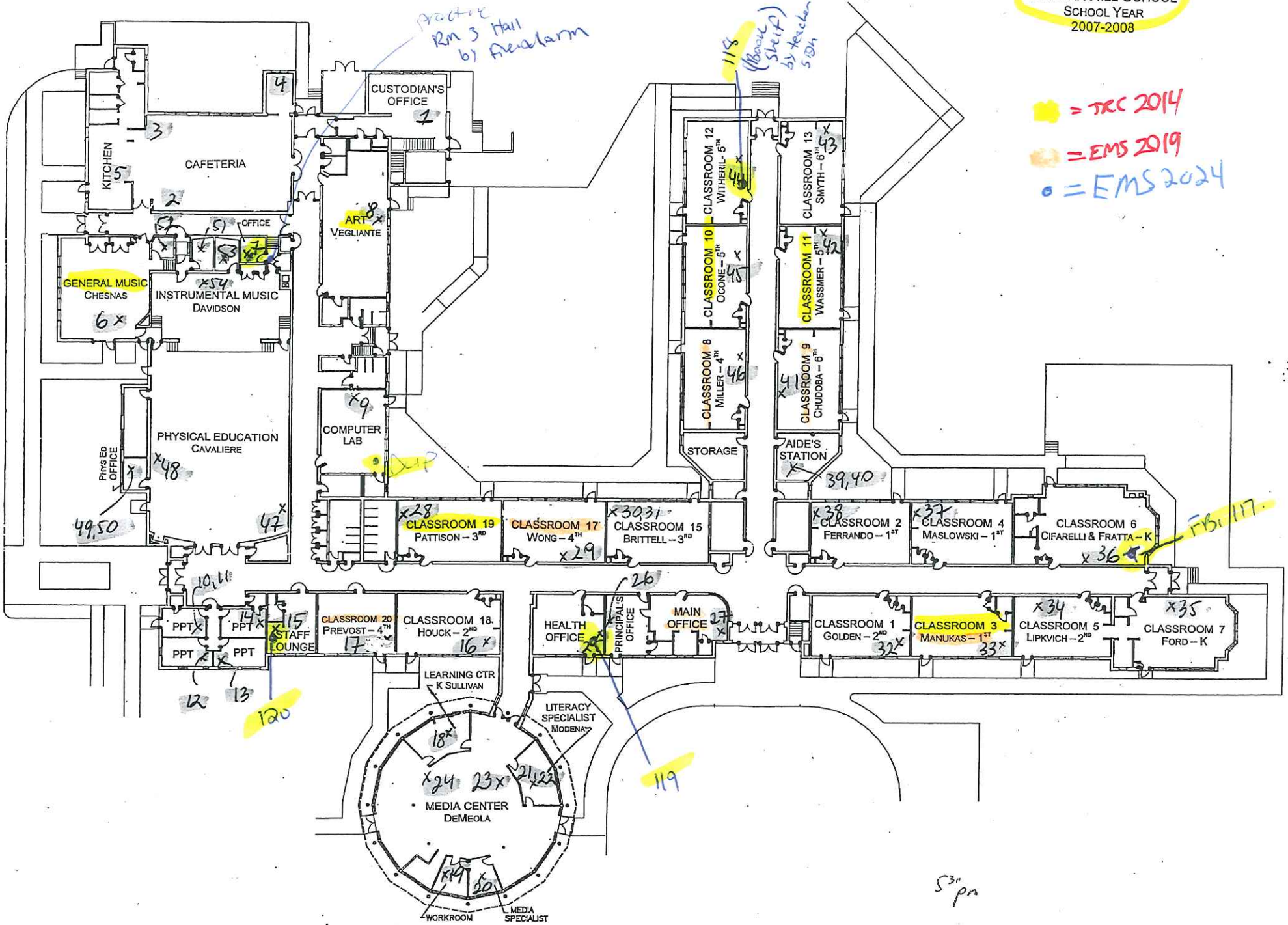
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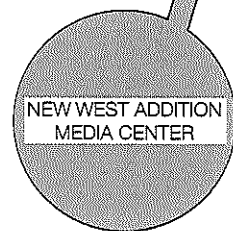
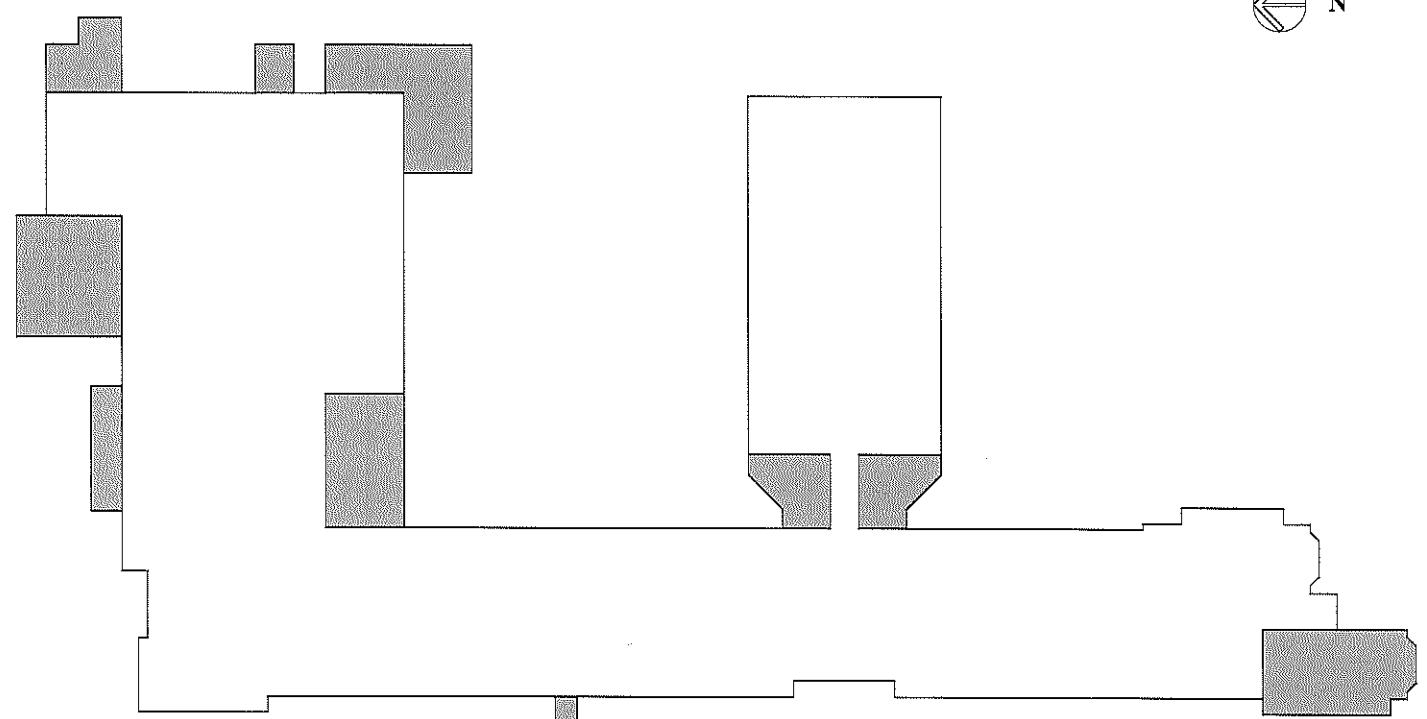
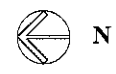
## **Radon Sample Locations**

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● = EMS 2024

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**Appendix A: Laboratory Results**

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## **I. SUMMARY**

EnviroMed Services, Inc. was retained by Hamden Public Schools to conduct 5 year re-evaluation for airborne radon at the Hamden High School at 2040 Dixwell Avenue in Hamden, Connecticut. The purpose of this monitoring was to determine if the airborne levels were below the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recommended action level of 4.0 picoCuries per liter of air (pCi/L). The monitoring was supervised from February 27 to February 29, 2024 by radon accredited professional John Luby.

## **II. RADON FACTS AND HEALTH RISK INFORMATION**

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Radon is colorless, odorless, and tasteless. The only way to determine whether or not an elevated level of radon is present in any room of a school is to conduct a radon sampling test.

## **III. SAMPLING METHODOLOGY**

### ***Radon in Air***

Monitoring was performed in 10% of occupied rooms that come in contact with the ground within the school. Thirteen (13) EPA approved monitoring devices were placed in designated sample locations at a minimum of 36 inches off the floor, more than one foot from exterior walls and more than three feet from windows. They were opened and allowed to be exposed to the indoor atmosphere for between forty-eight and seventy-two hours, which complies with the Connecticut Department of Public Health (CT DPH) School Radon Testing Guidance

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In order to provide assurance of the quality of the measurement, duplicate (10%) and blank (5%) samples accompanied all testing activities and were submitted to the laboratory at the same time. Please note that the laboratory allows for a +/- 0.5pCi/L variation on blank samples.

**IV. RADON IN AIR TEST RESULTS**

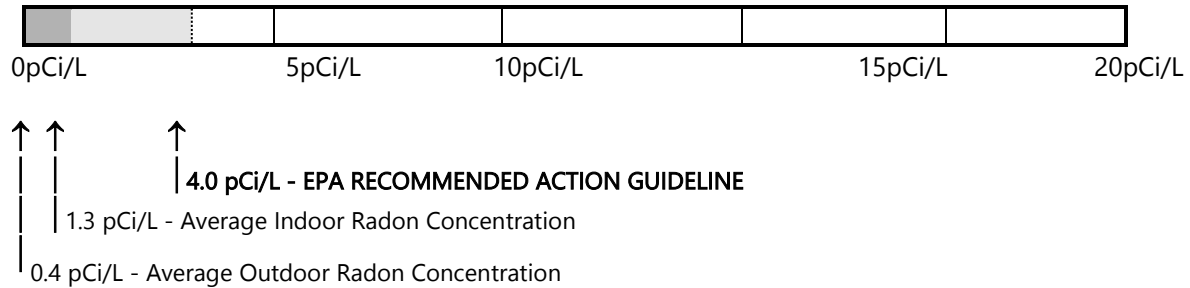
***Hamden High School***

<i>Sample ID</i>	<i>Canister ID</i>	<i>Floor Level</i>	<i>Sample Location</i>	<i>Radon Level in pCi/L</i>
R1	RAS128	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room D104 **	< 0.5
R2	RAS129	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room D104	< 0.5
R3	RAS130	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room D110	< 0.5
R4	RAS131	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room 106	< 0.5
R5	RAS132	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Gym (Right Side)	< 0.5
R6	RAS133	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Gym (Left Side)	< 0.5
R7	RAS134	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Auditorium (Right Side)	0.52
R8	RAS135	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Auditorium (Left Side)	0.65
R9	RAS136	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room B110	< 0.5
R10	RAS137	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room B105	< 0.5
R11	RAS138	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room A112	< 0.5
R12	RAD112A	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room 104A (Main Office) *	0.75
R13	RAD112B	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room 104A (Main Office) *	0.76

\* indicates duplicate sample

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## **VI. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

Based on the results obtained from the radon monitoring at the Hamden High School located in Hamden, Connecticut, EnviroMed Services Inc. makes the following conclusions and recommendations:

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# **Appendix A**

## **Laboratory Results**

# AQUATEK LABS

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## RADON IN AIR LIQUID SCINTILLATION REPORT

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LOCATION: HAMDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
CLIENT NAME: ENVIROMED SERVICES

DATE: 2/26/24 - 2/29/2024

PROJ. NO.: IH-24-280

RAS128	2040 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden, CT	Hamden High School   Room D104 (Field Blank)	2/27/2024	8:35 AM	2/29/2024	9:17 AM	< 0.5
RAS129	2040 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden, CT	Hamden High School   Room D104	2/27/2024	8:35 AM	2/29/2024	9:17 AM	< 0.5
RAS130	2040 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden, CT	Hamden High School   Room D110	2/27/2024	8:30 AM	2/29/2024	9:16 AM	< 0.5
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RAS132	2040 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden, CT	Hamden High School   Gym (Right Side)	2/27/2024	8:41 AM	2/29/2024	9:19 AM	< 0.5
RAS133	2040 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden, CT	Hamden High School   Gym (Left Side)	2/27/2024	8:44 AM	2/29/2024	9:20 AM	< 0.5
RAS134	2040 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden, CT	Hamden High School   Auditorium (Right Side)	2/27/2024	8:50 AM	2/29/2024	9:25 AM	< 0.5
RAS135	2040 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden, CT	Hamden High School   Auditorium (Left Side)	2/27/2024	8:53 AM	2/29/2024	9:25 AM	< 0.5
RAS136	2040 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden, CT	Hamden High School   Room B110	2/27/2024	8:55 AM	2/29/2024	9:26 AM	< 0.5
RAS137	2040 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden, CT	Hamden High School   Room B105	2/27/2024	8:58 AM	2/29/2024	9:26 AM	0.52
RAS138	2040 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden, CT	Hamden High School   Room A112	2/27/2024	9:00 AM	2/29/2024	9:28 AM	0.65
RAD107 A & B	2040 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden, CT	Hamden High School   Room A104 (Main Office)	2/27/2024	9:05 AM	2/29/2024	9:30 AM	0.75/0.76

# **Appendix B**

## **Radon Sample Locations**

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2014

Men's PE Office

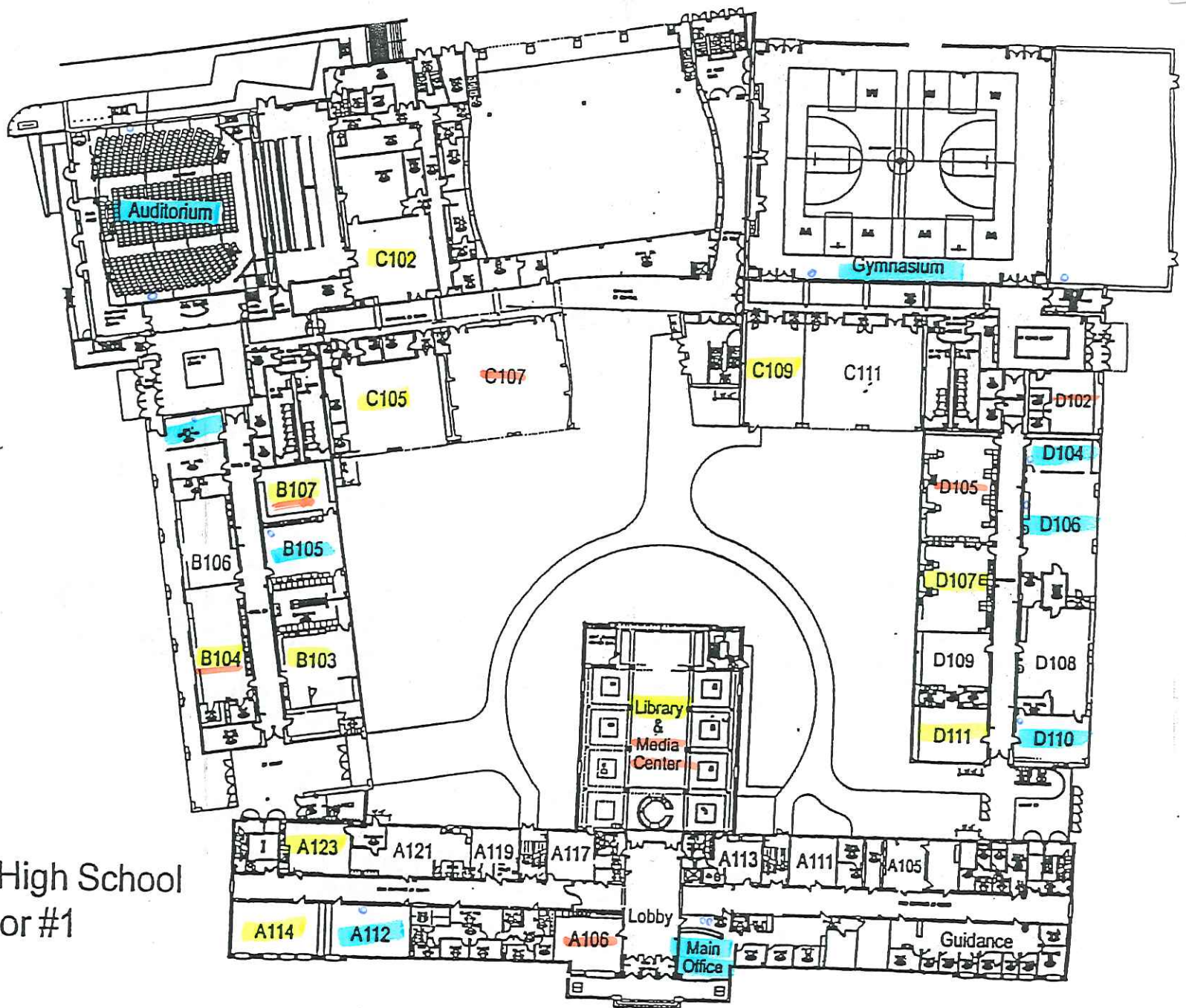
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- C102 A114
- B107 D111
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EMS  
2019

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- A110

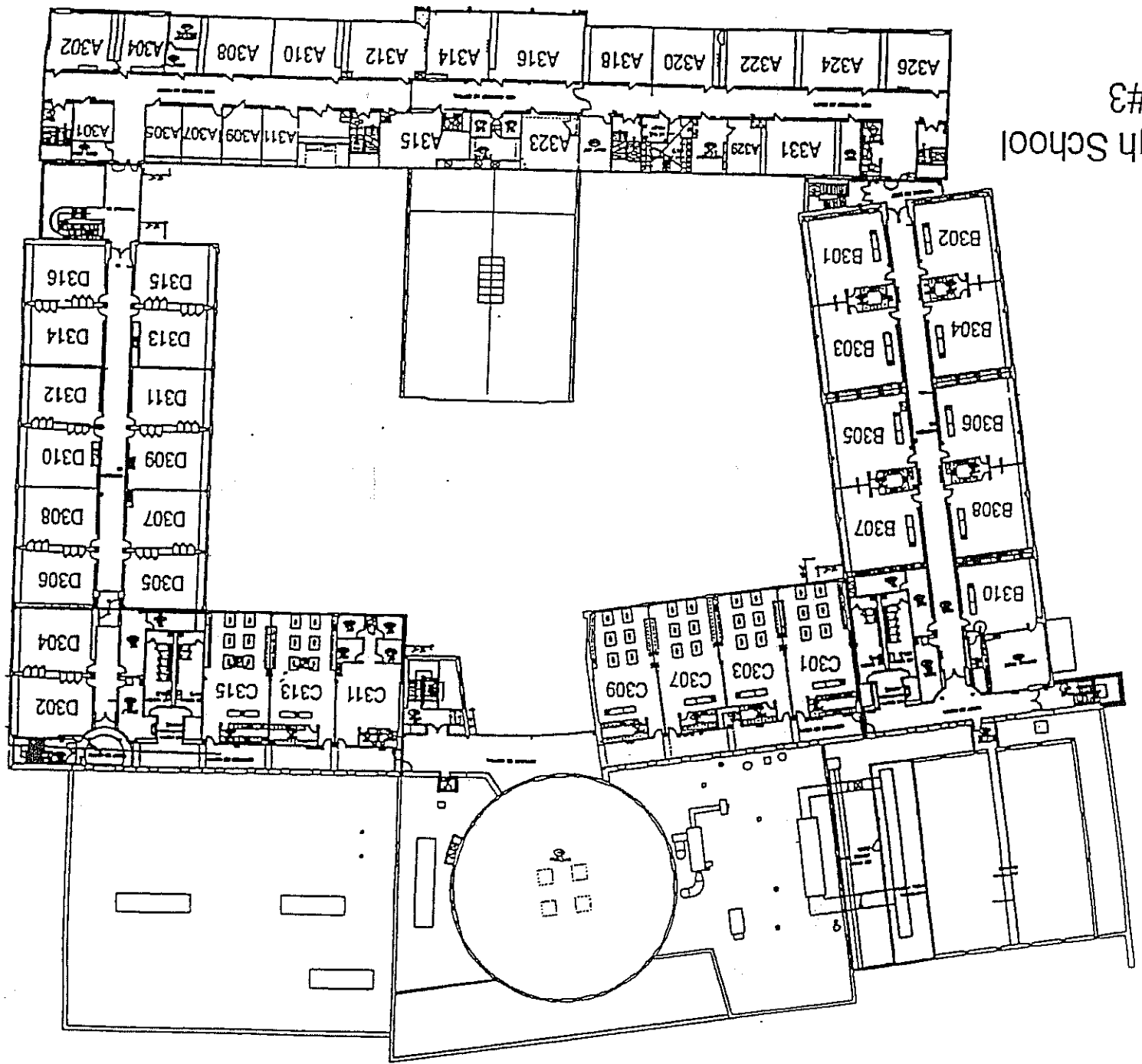
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- Auditorium

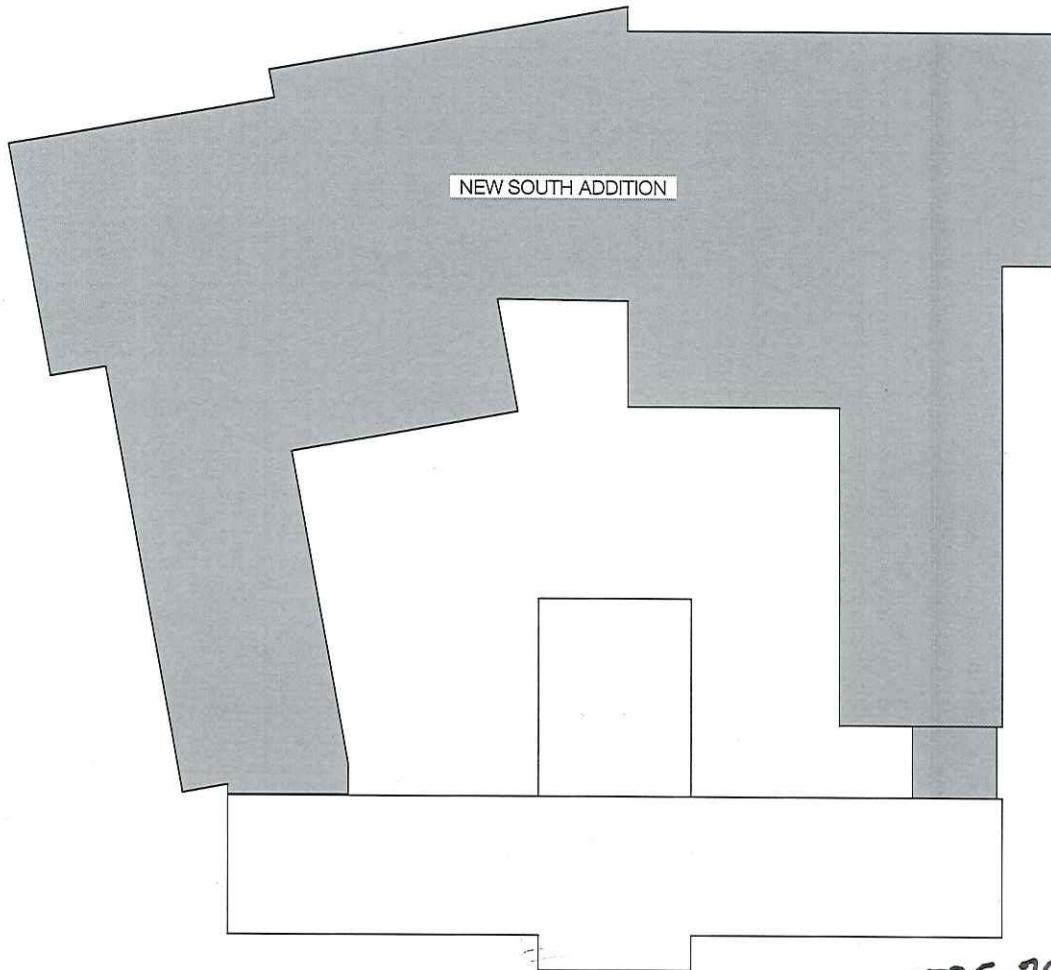


Hamden High School  
Floor #1

Hamden High School  
Floor #3



# HAMDEN HIGH SCHOOL (get better floor plan)



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FIRST FLOOR  
HAMDEN HIGH SCHOOL

NEW ADDITION OF THE SCHOOL

DIXWELL AVENUE

TRC 2014:

EMS 2019:

MENS PE OFFICE	
C105	A114
C109	D111
C192	D197
B107	A102
B104	
B193	
A115-LIBRARY	
A123	

B102	A102
C197	A101
C196	B105
B107	
B104	
A110	
A196	
LIBRARY	



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## **I. SUMMARY**

EnviroMed Services, Inc. was retained by Hamden Public Schools to conduct 5 year re-evaluation for airborne radon at the Hamden Middle School at 2623 Dixwell Avenue in Hamden, Connecticut. The purpose of this monitoring was to determine if the airborne levels were below the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recommended action level of 4.0 picoCuries per liter of air (pCi/L). The monitoring was supervised from February 27 to February 29, 2024 by radon accredited professional John Luby.

## **II. RADON FACTS AND HEALTH RISK INFORMATION**

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Radon is colorless, odorless, and tasteless. The only way to determine whether or not an elevated level of radon is present in any room of a school is to conduct a radon sampling test.

## **III. SAMPLING METHODOLOGY**

### ***Radon in Air***

Monitoring was performed in 10% of occupied rooms that come in contact with the ground within the school. Ten (10) EPA approved monitoring devices were placed in designated sample locations at a minimum of 36 inches off the floor, more than one foot from exterior walls and more than three feet from windows. They were opened and allowed to be exposed to the indoor atmosphere for between forty-eight and seventy-two hours, which complies with the Connecticut Department of Public Health (CT DPH) School Radon Testing Guidance

and United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) sampling protocol. Upon completion of the monitoring, the canisters were sealed and transported to a State certified laboratory for analysis, *Aquatek Labs* in Woodbridge, Connecticut. Results can be found in **Appendix A**.

In order to provide assurance of the quality of the measurement, duplicate (10%) and blank (5%) samples accompanied all testing activities and were submitted to the laboratory at the same time. Please note that the laboratory allows for a +/- 0.5pCi/L variation on blank samples.

**IV. RADON IN AIR TEST RESULTS**

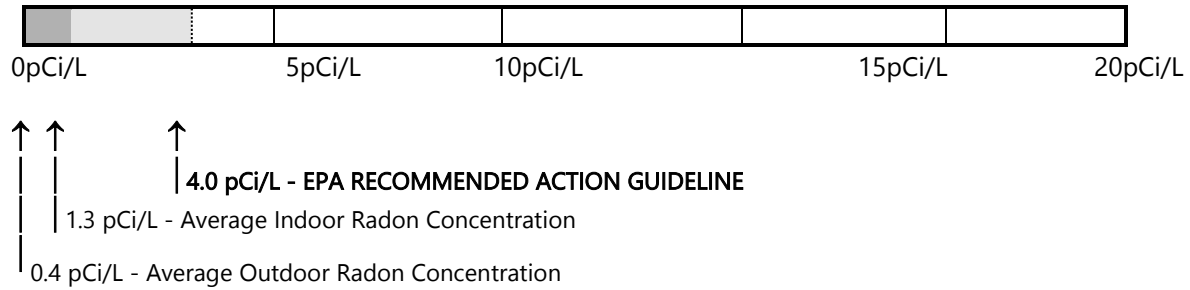
***Hamden Middle School***

<i>Sample ID</i>	<i>Canister ID</i>	<i>Floor Level</i>	<i>Sample Location</i>	<i>Radon Level in pCi/L</i>
R1	RAS143	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room 117 **	< 0.5
R2	RAS144	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room 117	< 0.5
R3	RAS145	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room 100 (Auditorium)	< 0.5
R4	RAS146	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room 100 (Auditorium)	< 0.5
R5	RAS147	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room 110 (Cafeteria)	< 0.5
R6	RAS148	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room 110A (Cafeteria)	< 0.5
R7	RAS149	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room 134	< 0.5
R8	RAS150	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room 144	< 0.5
R9	RAD112A	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room 193 (Main Office) *	< 0.5
R10	RAD112B	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room 193 (Main Office) *	< 0.5

\* indicates duplicate sample

\*\* indicates blank sample

Use the following chart to compare your radon test results, expressed in picoCuries of radon per liter of air (pCi/L), with the EPA guidelines.



The CT DPH School Radon Testing Guidance and the US EPA strongly recommend taking further action when the radon test results are 4.0 picoCuries per liter of air (pCi/L) or greater.

The national average indoor radon level is about 1.3 pCi/L. The higher the radon levels the greater the health risk to occupants. Even high levels can be reduced to below 4.0 pCi/L. EPA recommends that you use an EPA or State-approved contractor trained to fix radon problems.

**V. WHAT DO THE RADON TEST RESULTS MEAN?**

If the radon level is **below 4.0 pCi/L**, you do not need to take action.

If the radon level is **4.0 pCi/L or greater**, use the following chart to determine what should be done next. Depending upon the type of test taken, you will have to either test again or take corrective actions to reduce the radon level.

Note: All tests should meet EPA technical protocols.

<i>Type of Test(s)</i>	<i>If Radon Level Is 4.0 pCi/L or Greater</i>
Single Short-Term Test	Test Again*
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\*If your first short-term test is several times greater than 4.0 pCi/L - for example, about 10 pCi/L or higher - you should take a second short-term test immediately.

## **VI. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

Based on the results obtained from the radon monitoring at the Hamden Middle School located in Hamden, Connecticut, EnviroMed Services Inc. makes the following conclusions and recommendations:

- Testing indicates that radon levels are below the EPA Action Level in the school. No further action is required. Radon re-testing is recommended at 5 year intervals.

# **Appendix A**

## **Laboratory Results**

# AQUATEK LABS

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## RADON IN AIR LIQUID SCINTILLATION REPORT

**SITE: HAMDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
**LOCATION: HAMDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
**CLIENT NAME: ENVIROMED SERVICES**

**DATE: 2/26/24 - 2/29/2024**

**PROJ. NO.: IH-24-280**

RAS143	2623 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden, CT	Hamden Middle School   Room 117 (Field Blank)	2/27/2024	11:18 AM	2/29/2024	12:03 PM	< 0.5
RAS144	2623 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden, CT	Hamden Middle School   Room 117	2/27/2024	11:18 AM	2/29/2024	12:03 PM	< 0.5
RAS145	2623 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden, CT	Hamden Middle School   Room 100 (Auditorium)	2/27/2024	11:08 AM	2/29/2024	11:57 AM	< 0.5
RAS146	2623 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden, CT	Hamden Middle School   Room 100 (Auditorium)	2/27/2024	11:08 AM	2/29/2024	11:58 AM	< 0.5
RAS147	2623 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden, CT	Hamden Middle School   Room 110 (Cafeteria)	2/27/2024	11:15 AM	2/29/2024	12:02 PM	< 0.5
RAS148	2623 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden, CT	Hamden Middle School   Room 110A (Cafeteria)	2/27/2024	11:15 AM	2/29/2024	12:02 PM	< 0.5
RAS149	2623 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden, CT	Hamden Middle School   Room 134	2/27/2024	11:20 AM	2/29/2024	12:06 PM	< 0.5
RAS150	2623 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden, CT	Hamden Middle School   Room 144	2/27/2024	11:25 AM	2/29/2024	12:08 PM	< 0.5
RAD109 A & B	2623 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden, CT	Hamden Middle School   Room 193 (Main Office)	2/27/2024	11:05 AM	2/29/2024	11:57 AM	< 0.5/< 0.5

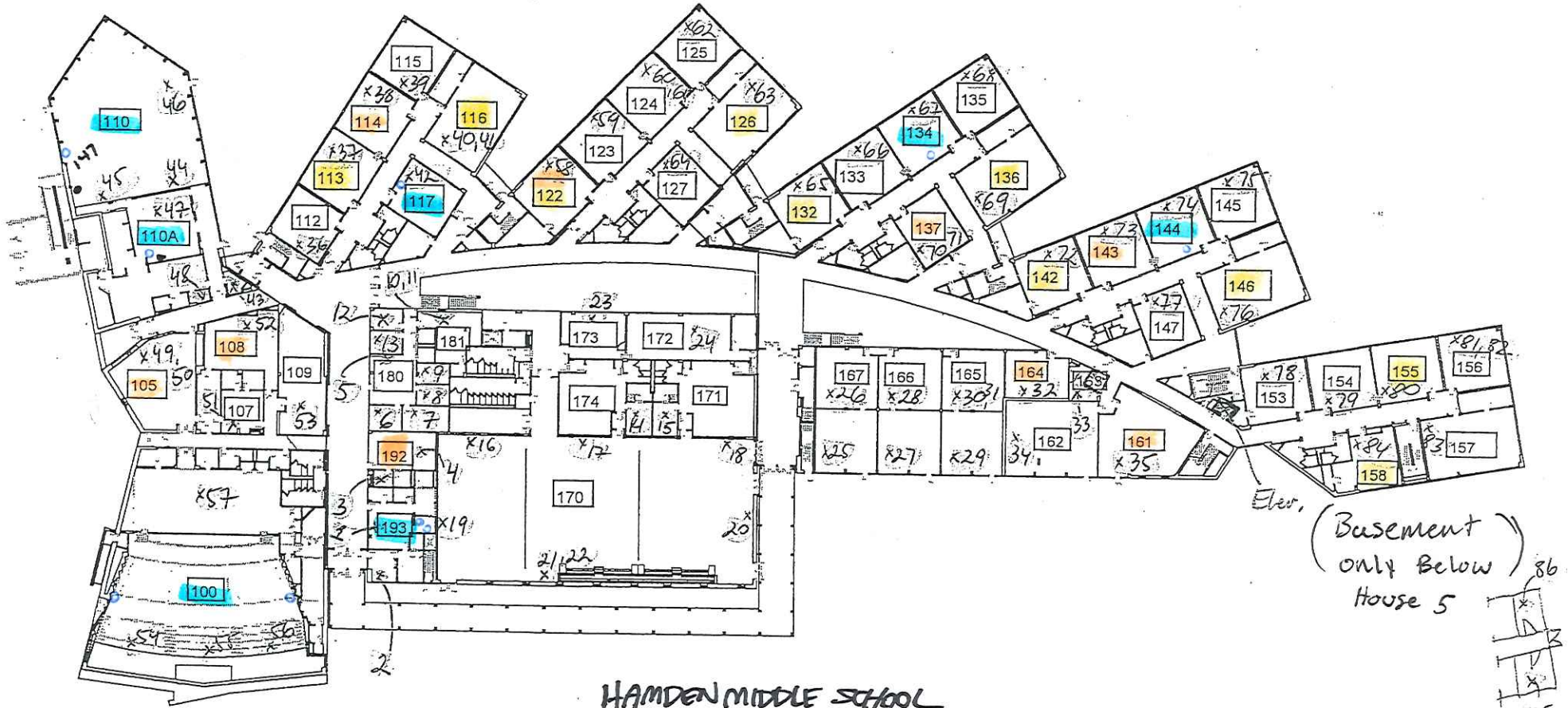
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## **Radon Sample Locations**



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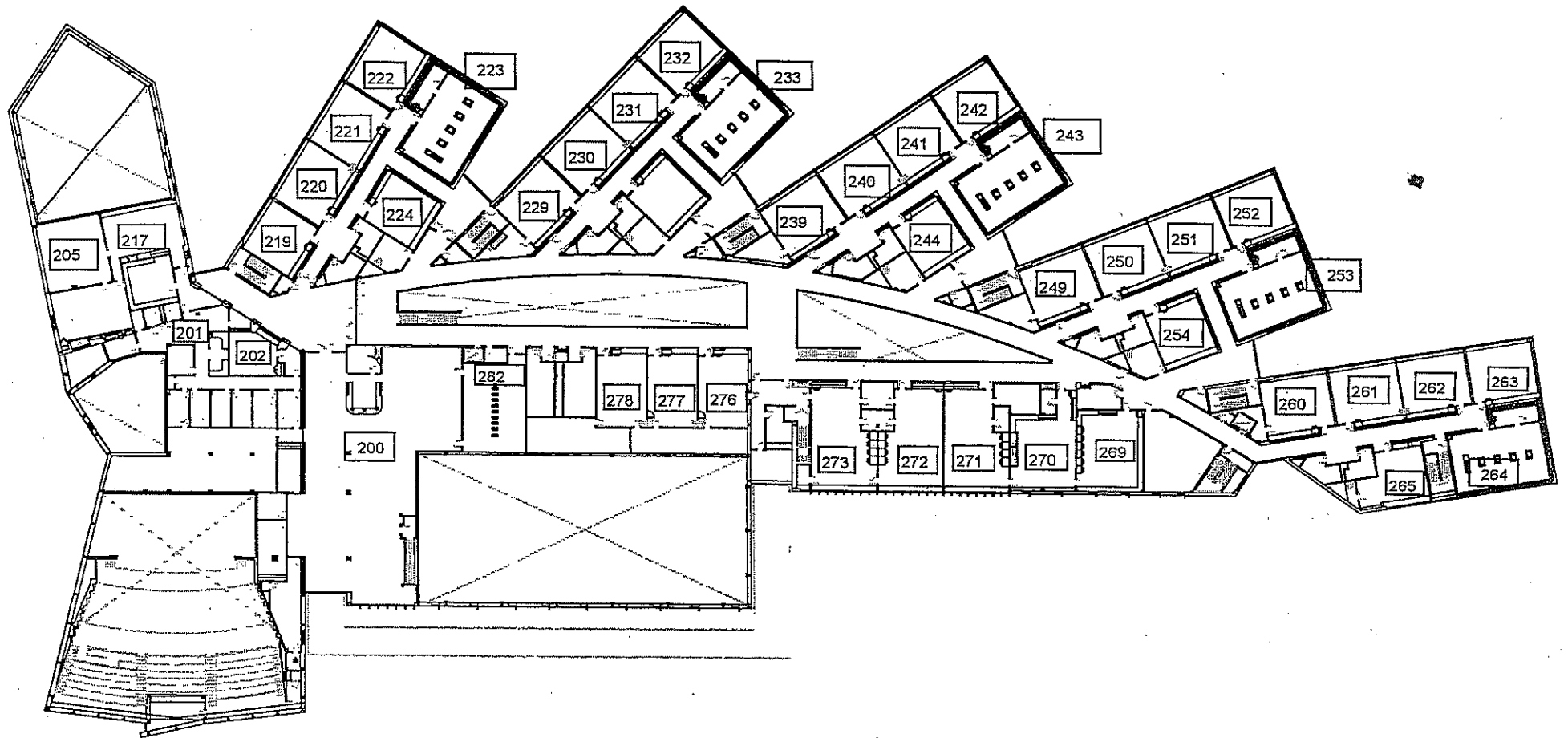
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HAMDEN MIDDLE SCHOOL

First Floor

Bsmt - 2 sample  
beneath 153-158 Wing



second floor



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**Radon Sampling Report  
Short Term Radon Testing  
for**

**Helen Street School,  
285 Helen Street  
Hamden, Connecticut**

PREPARED FOR:

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60 Putnam Avenue  
Hamden, CT

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**Appendix A: Laboratory Results**

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## **I. SUMMARY**

EnviroMed Services, Inc. was retained by Hamden Public Schools to conduct 5-year re-evaluation for airborne radon at the Helen St. School at 285 Helen Street in Hamden, Connecticut. The purpose of this monitoring was to determine if the airborne levels were below the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recommended action level of 4.0 picoCuries per liter of air (pCi/L). The monitoring was supervised from February 26 to February 28, 2024 by radon accredited professional John Luby.

## **II. RADON FACTS AND HEALTH RISK INFORMATION**

Radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer. It is naturally occurring radioactive gas. It comes from the natural breakdown (decay) of uranium, which is found in soil and rock all over the United States. Radon travels through soil and enters buildings through cracks and other holes in the foundation. Eventually, it decays into radioactive particles that can become trapped in our lungs when we breathe. As these particles in turn decay, they release small bursts of radiation. This radiation can damage lung tissue and lead to lung cancer over the course of our lifetime.

Radon is colorless, odorless, and tasteless. The only way to determine whether or not an elevated level of radon is present in any room of a school is to conduct a radon sampling test.

## **III. SAMPLING METHODOLOGY**

### ***Radon in Air***

Monitoring was performed in 10% of occupied rooms that come in contact with the ground within the school. Six (6) EPA approved monitoring devices were placed in designated sample locations at a minimum of 36 inches off the floor, more than one foot from exterior walls and more than three feet from windows. They were opened and allowed to be exposed to the indoor atmosphere for between forty-eight and seventy-two hours, which complies with the Connecticut Department of Public Health (CT DPH) School Radon Testing Guidance

and United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) sampling protocol. Upon completion of the monitoring, the canisters were sealed and transported to a State certified laboratory for analysis, *Aquatek Labs* in Woodbridge, Connecticut. Results can be found in **Appendix A**.

In order to provide assurance of the quality of the measurement, duplicate (10%) and blank (5%) samples accompanied all testing activities and were submitted to the laboratory at the same time. Please note that the laboratory allows for a +/- 0.5pCi/L variation on blank samples.

**IV. RADON IN AIR TEST RESULTS**

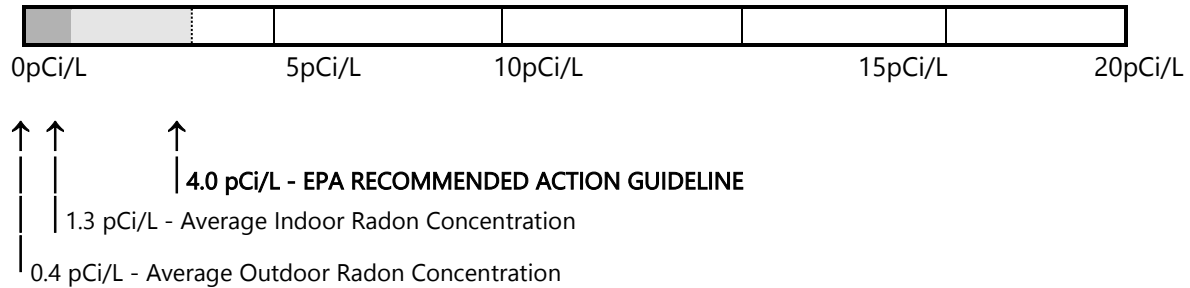
***Helen Street School***

<i>Sample ID</i>	<i>Canister ID</i>	<i>Floor Level</i>	<i>Sample Location</i>	<i>Radon Level in pCi/L</i>
R1	RAS112	Basement	Entrance Corridor**	< 0.5
R2	RAS113	Basement	Entrance Corridor	1.27
R3	RAS114	Basement	Room 3	1.42
R4	RAS115	Basement	Room 2	1.48
R5	RAD104A	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	638-Carrasco*	1.87
R6	RAD104B	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	638- Carrasco*	1.63

\* indicates duplicate sample

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**V. WHAT DO THE RADON TEST RESULTS MEAN?**

If the radon level is **below 4.0 pCi/L**, you do not need to take action.

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## **VI. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

Based on the results obtained from the radon monitoring at the Helen Street School located in Hamden, Connecticut, EnviroMed Services Inc. makes the following conclusions and recommendations:

- Testing indicates that radon levels are below the EPA Action Level in the school. No further action is required. Radon re-testing is recommended at 5 year intervals.



# **Appendix A**

## **Laboratory Results**

# AQUATEK LABS

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## RADON IN AIR LIQUID SCINTILLATION REPORT

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LOCATION: HAMDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
CLIENT NAME: ENVIROMED SERVICES

DATE: 2/26/24 - 2/29/2024

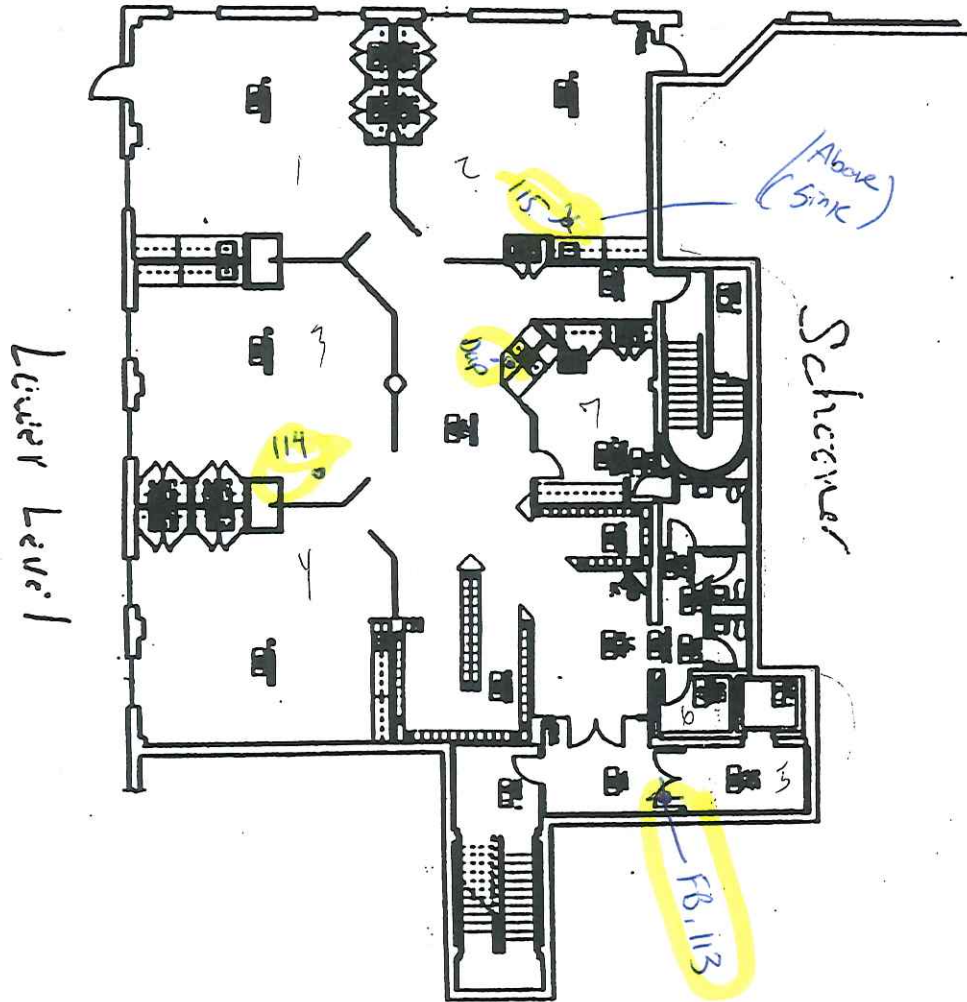
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RAS112	285 Helen Street, Hamden, CT	Helen Street School   Entrance Corridor (Field Blank)	2/26/2024	1:10 PM	2/28/2024	1:26 PM	< 0.5
RAS113	285 Helen Street, Hamden, CT	Helen Street School   Entrance Corridor	2/26/2024	1:15 PM	2/28/2024	1:26 PM	1.27
RAS114	285 Helen Street, Hamden, CT	Helen Street School   Room 3	2/26/2024	1:20 PM	2/28/2024	1:28 PM	1.42
RAS115	285 Helen Street, Hamden, CT	Helen Street School   Room 2	2/26/2024	1:25 PM	2/28/2024	1:28 PM	1.48
RAD104 A & B	285 Helen Street, Hamden, CT	Helen Street School   638 - Carrasco	2/26/2024	1:23 PM	2/28/2024	1:27 PM	1.87/1.63

# **Appendix B**

## **Radon Sample Locations**

# Helen Street 1st



TRC-2014  
Kindergarten - DeStefano  
Atlantis - Zannotti  
Literacy Specialist  
Atlantis - Quinn

EMS 2019  
RM 1  
RM 4  
Callisto Pro-K1  
Atlantis 154

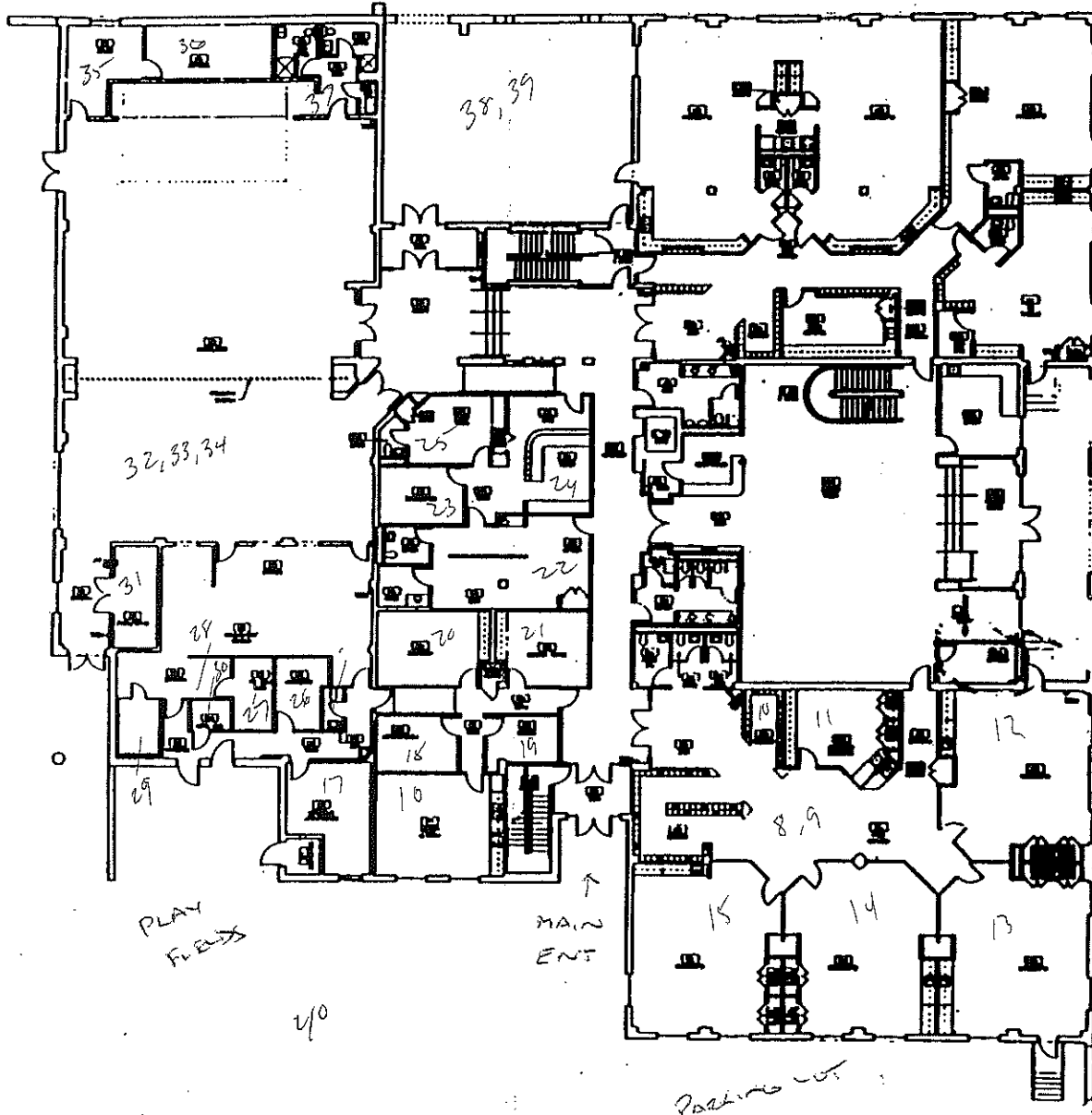
EMS-2024  
Entrance Corridor  
Room 3  
Rm - 2  
638-Carrasco

Helen Street  
2nd

HELEN ST

Calypsa

Main Level



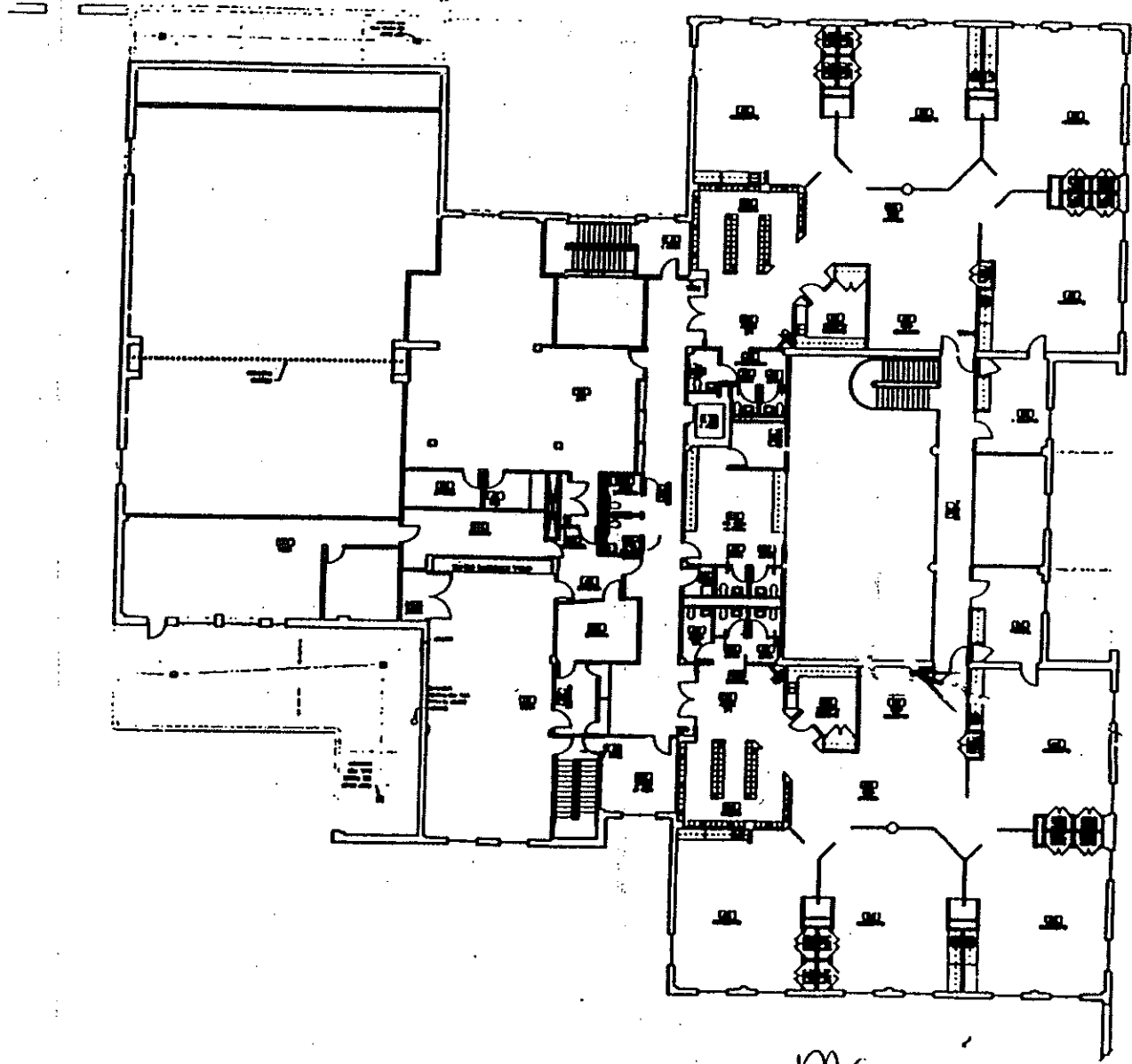
PINE ROCK AVE

Atlantis

BOEHM RD

Helen Street  
Coral Reef 3rd

Upper Level



Mariner



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**Radon Sampling Report  
Short Term Radon Testing  
for**

**Ridge Hill School  
120 Carew Road  
Hamden, Connecticut**

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## **I. SUMMARY**

EnviroMed Services, Inc. was retained by Hamden Public Schools to conduct 5-year re-evaluation for airborne radon at the Ridge Hill School at 120 Carew Road in Hamden, Connecticut. The purpose of this monitoring was to determine if the airborne levels were below the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recommended action level of 4.0 picoCuries per liter of air (pCi/L). The monitoring was supervised from February 26 to February 28, 2024, by radon accredited professional John Luby.

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## **III. SAMPLING METHODOLOGY**

### ***Radon in Air***

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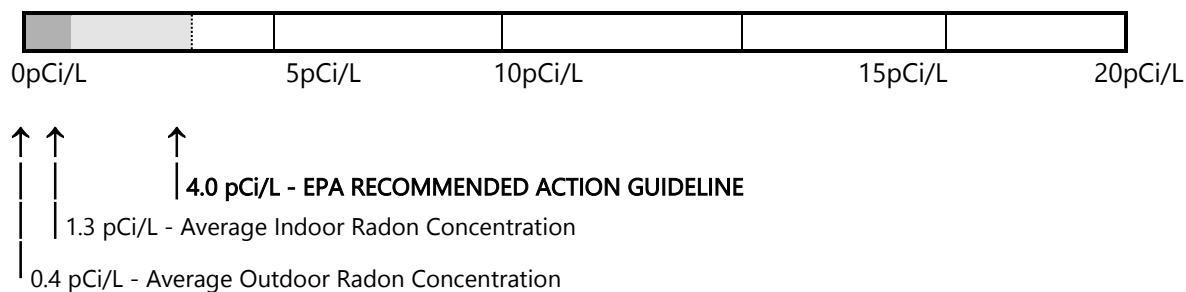
***Ridge Hill School***

<i>Sample ID</i>	<i>Canister ID</i>	<i>Floor Level</i>	<i>Sample Location</i>	<i>Radon Level in pCi/L</i>
R1	RAS101	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Mercury Front Near Bathroom**	< 0.5
R2	RAS102	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Mercury Front Near Bathroom	< 0.5
R3	RAS103	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Right Gym Entrance	< 0.5
R4	RAS104	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Left Gym Entrance	< 0.5
R5	RAD101A	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Mercury Front Right*	0.76
R6	RAD101B	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Mercury Front Right*	0.69

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## **VI. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

Based on the results obtained from the radon monitoring at Ridge Hill School located in Hamden, Connecticut, EnviroMed Services Inc. makes the following conclusions and recommendations:

- Testing indicates that radon levels are below the EPA Action Level in the school. No further action is required. Radon re-testing is recommended at 5 year intervals.

# **Appendix A**

## **Laboratory Results**

# AQUATEK LABS

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## RADON IN AIR LIQUID SCINTILLATION REPORT

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LOCATION: HAMDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
CLIENT NAME: ENVIROMED SERVICES

DATE: 2/26/24 - 2/29/2024

PROJ. NO.: IH-24-280

CANISTER ID -	SAMPLE	LOCATION	DATE	TIME	STOP	TIME	Result
	ADDRESS		START	START		STOP	STOP
RAS101	120 Carew Road, Hamden, CT	Ridge Hill School   Mercury Front Bathroom (Field Blank)	2/26/2024	10:45 AM	2/28/2024	11:25 AM	< 0.5
RAS102	120 Carew Road, Hamden, CT	Ridge Hill School   Mercury Front Bathroom	2/26/2024	10:45 AM	2/28/2024	11:26 AM	< 0.5
RAS103	120 Carew Road, Hamden, CT	Ridge Hill School   Right Gym Entrance	2/26/2024	10:47 AM	2/28/2024	11:27 AM	< 0.5
RAS104	120 Carew Road, Hamden, CT	Ridge Hill School   Left Gym Entrance	2/26/2024	10:48 AM	2/28/2024	11:27 AM	< 0.5
RAD101A & B	120 Carew Road, Hamden, CT	Ridge Hill School   Mercury Front Right	2/26/2024	10:45 AM	2/28/2024	11:25 AM	0.76/0.69

# **Appendix B**

## **Radon Sample Locations**







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**Radon Sampling Report  
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for**

**Shepard Glen Elementary School  
1 Skiff Street,  
Hamden, Connecticut**

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## **I. SUMMARY**

EnviroMed Services, Inc. was retained by Hamden Public Schools to conduct 5 year re-evaluation for airborne radon at the Shepard Glen School at 1 Skiff Street in Hamden, Connecticut. The purpose of this monitoring was to determine if the airborne levels were below the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recommended action level of 4.0 picoCuries per liter of air (pCi/L). The monitoring was supervised from February 27 to February 29, 2024 by radon accredited professional John Luby.

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## **III. SAMPLING METHODOLOGY**

### ***Radon in Air***

Monitoring was performed in 10% of occupied rooms that come in contact with the ground within the school. Seven (7) EPA approved monitoring devices were placed in designated sample locations at a minimum of 36 inches off the floor, more than one foot from exterior walls and more than three feet from windows. They were opened and allowed to be exposed to the indoor atmosphere for between forty-eight and seventy-two hours, which complies with the Connecticut Department of Public Health (CT DPH) School Radon Testing Guidance

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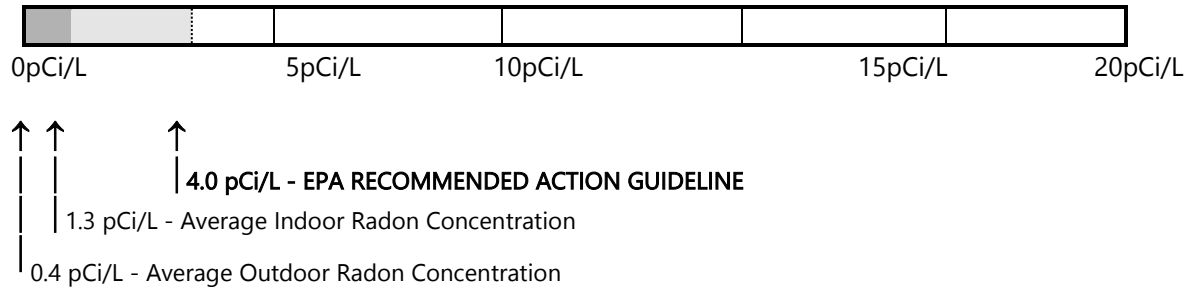
***Shepherd Glen Elementary School***

<i>Sample ID</i>	<i>Canister ID</i>	<i>Floor Level</i>	<i>Sample Location</i>	<i>Radon Level in pCi/L</i>
R1	RAS163	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Media Center (Right)	< 0.5
R2	RAS164	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Cafeteria	< 0.5
R3	RAS165	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Media Center (Left)	< 0.5
R4	RAS166	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Staff Lounge **	< 0.5
R5	RAS167	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Staff Lounge	< 0.5
R6	RAD112A	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Main Office*	< 0.5
R7	RAD112B	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Main Office*	< 0.5

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**V. WHAT DO THE RADON TEST RESULTS MEAN?**

If the radon level is **below 4.0 pCi/L**, you do not need to take action.

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Note: All tests should meet EPA technical protocols.

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## **VI. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

Based on the results obtained from the radon monitoring at the Shephard Glen Elementary School located in Hamden, Connecticut, EnviroMed Services Inc. makes the following conclusions and recommendations:

- Testing indicates that radon levels are below the EPA Action Level in the school. No further action is required. Radon re-testing is recommended at 5 year intervals.

# **Appendix A**

## **Laboratory Results**

# AQUATEK LABS

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## RADON IN AIR LIQUID SCINTILLATION REPORT

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LOCATION: HAMDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
CLIENT NAME: ENVIROMED SERVICES

DATE: 2/26/24 - 2/29/2024

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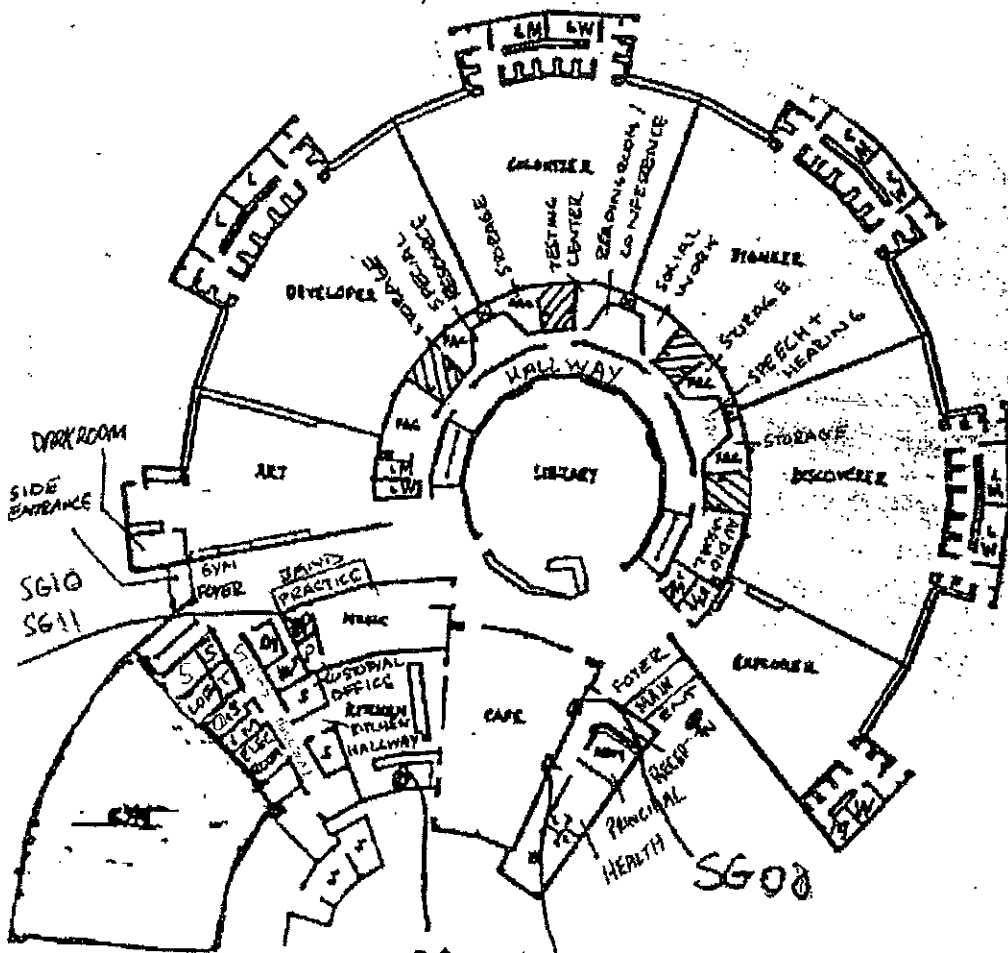
RAS163	1 Skiff Street, Hamden, CT	Shepherd Glen Elementary   Media Center (Right)	2/27/2024	1:32 PM	2/29/2024	1:42 PM	< 0.5
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RAS165	1 Skiff Street, Hamden, CT	Shepherd Glen Elementary   Media Center (Left)	2/27/2024	1:31 PM	2/29/2024	1:42 PM	< 0.5
RAS166	1 Skiff Street, Hamden, CT	Shepherd Glen Elementary   Staff Lounge (Field Blank)	2/27/2024	1:38 PM	2/29/2024	1:43 PM	< 0.5
RAS167	1 Skiff Street, Hamden, CT	Shepherd Glen Elementary   Staff Lounge	2/27/2024	1:38 PM	2/29/2024	1:43 PM	< 0.5
RAD112 A & B	1 Skiff Street, Hamden, CT	Shepherd Glen Elementary   Main Office	2/27/2024	1:30 PM	2/29/2024	1:40 PM	< 0.5/< 0.5




# **Appendix B**

## **Radon Sample Locations**





SG07 SG09

 = HALLWAY ENTRANCE INCLUDED FOR CLASSROOMS



upper level

- SG01
- SG02
- SG03
- SG04
- SG05



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**Radon Sampling Report  
Short Term Radon Testing  
for**

**Spring Glen School  
1908 Whitney Avenue  
Hamden, Connecticut**

PREPARED FOR:

Hamden Public Schools  
60 Putnam Avenue  
Hamden, CT

February 2024

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**Appendix A: Laboratory Results**

**Appendix B: Radon Sample Locations**

## **I. SUMMARY**

EnviroMed Services, Inc. was retained by Hamden Public Schools to conduct 5-year re-evaluation for airborne radon at the Spring Glen School at 1908 Whitney Avenue. in Hamden, Connecticut. The purpose of this monitoring was to determine if the airborne levels were below the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recommended action level of 4.0 picoCuries per liter of air (pCi/L). The monitoring was supervised from February 26 to February 28, 2024, by radon accredited professional John Luby.

## **II. RADON FACTS AND HEALTH RISK INFORMATION**

Radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer. It is naturally occurring radioactive gas. It comes from the natural breakdown (decay) of uranium, which is found in soil and rock all over the United States. Radon travels through soil and enters buildings through cracks and other holes in the foundation. Eventually, it decays into radioactive particles that can become trapped in our lungs when we breathe. As these particles in turn decay, they release small bursts of radiation. This radiation can damage lung tissue and lead to lung cancer over the course of our lifetime.

Radon is colorless, odorless, and tasteless. The only way to determine whether or not an elevated level of radon is present in any room of a school is to conduct a radon sampling test.

## **III. SAMPLING METHODOLOGY**

### ***Radon in Air***

Monitoring was performed in 10% of occupied rooms that come in contact with the ground within the school. Six (6) EPA approved monitoring devices were placed in designated sample locations at a minimum of 36 inches off the floor, more than one foot from exterior walls and more than three feet from windows. They were opened and allowed to be exposed to the indoor atmosphere for between forty-eight and seventy-two hours, which complies with the Connecticut Department of Public Health (CT DPH) School Radon Testing Guidance

and United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) sampling protocol. Upon completion of the monitoring, the canisters were sealed and transported to a State certified laboratory for analysis, *Aquatek Labs* in Woodbridge, Connecticut. Results can be found in **Appendix A**.

In order to provide assurance of the quality of the measurement, duplicate (10%) and blank (5%) samples accompanied all testing activities and were submitted to the laboratory at the same time. Please note that the laboratory allows for a +/- 0.5pCi/L variation on blank samples.

**IV. RADON IN AIR TEST RESULTS**

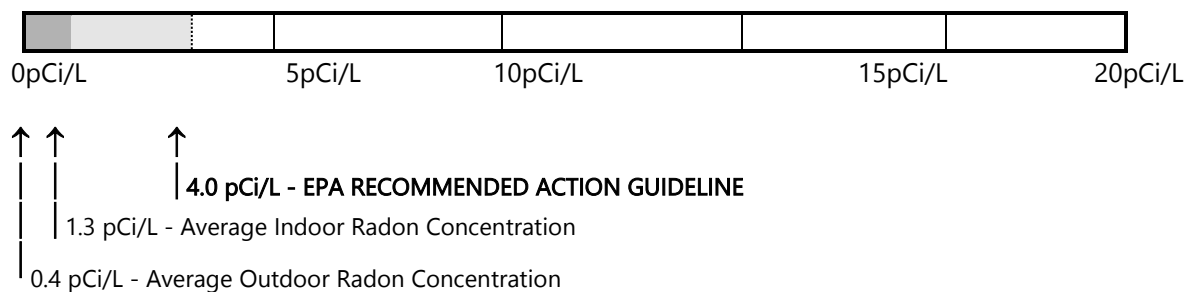
***Spring Glen School***

<i>Sample ID</i>	<i>Canister ID</i>	<i>Floor Level</i>	<i>Sample Location</i>	<i>Radon Level in pCi/L</i>
R1	RAD102A	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room 106*	< 0.5
R2	RAD102B	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room 106*	< 0.5
R3	RAS105	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room 108**	< 0.5
R4	RAS106	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room 108	< 0.5
R5	RAS107	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room 105	0.82
R6	RAS108	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Room 103	0.63

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The national average indoor radon level is about 1.3 pCi/L. The higher the radon levels the greater the health risk to occupants. Even high levels can be reduced to below 4.0 pCi/L. EPA recommends that you use an EPA or State-approved contractor trained to fix radon problems.

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If the radon level is **below 4.0 pCi/L**, you do not need to take action.

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Note: All tests should meet EPA technical protocols.

<i>Type of Test(s)</i>	<i>If Radon Level Is 4.0 pCi/L or Greater</i>
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\*If your first short-term test is several times greater than 4.0 pCi/L - for example, about 10 pCi/L or higher - you should take a second short-term test immediately.



## **VI. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

Based on the results obtained from the radon monitoring at Spring Glen School located in Hamden, Connecticut, EnviroMed Services Inc. makes the following conclusions and recommendations:

- Testing indicates that radon levels are below the EPA Action Level in the school. No further action is required. Radon re-testing is recommended at 5-year intervals.

# **Appendix A**

## **Laboratory Results**

**AQUATEK LABS**

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**RADON IN AIR LIQUID SCINTILLATION REPORT**

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LOCATION: HAMDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
CLIENT NAME: ENVIROMED SERVICES**

**DATE: 2/26/24 - 2/29/2024**

**PROJ. NO.: IH-24-280**

RAS105	1908 Whitney Avenue, Hamden, CT	Spring Glen School   Room #108 (Field Blank)	2/26/2024	11:17 AM	2/28/2024	11:47 AM	< 0.5
RAS106	1908 Whitney Avenue, Hamden, CT	Spring Glen School   Room #108	2/26/2024	11:17 AM	2/28/2024	11:47 AM	< 0.5
RAS107	1908 Whitney Avenue, Hamden, CT	Spring Glen School   Room #105	2/26/2024	11:20 AM	2/28/2024	11:49 AM	0.82
RAS108	1908 Whitney Avenue, Hamden, CT	Spring Glen School   Room #103	2/26/2024	11:21 AM	2/28/2024	11:50 AM	0.63
RAD102 A & B	1908 Whitney Avenue, Hamden, CT	Spring Glen School   Room 106	2/26/2024	11:18 AM	2/28/2024	11:48 AM	< 0.5/< 0.5

# **Appendix B**

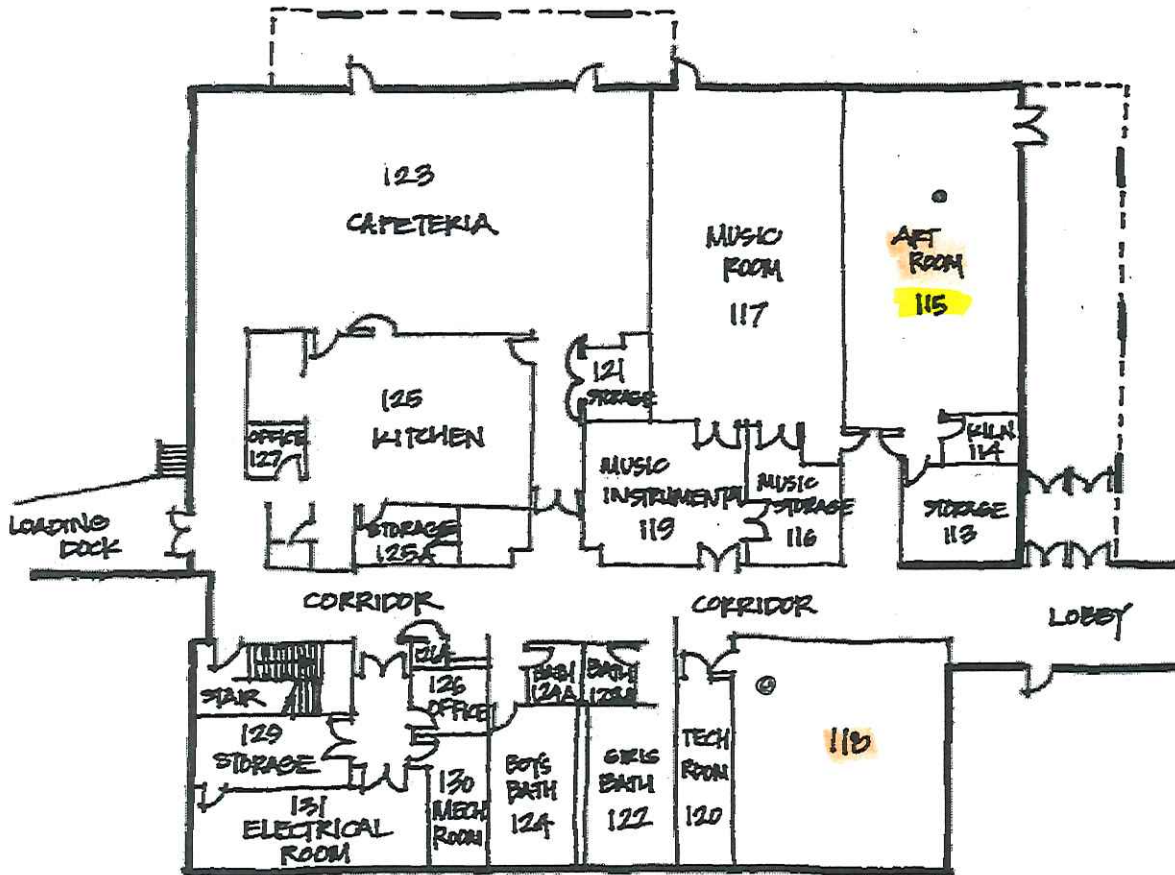
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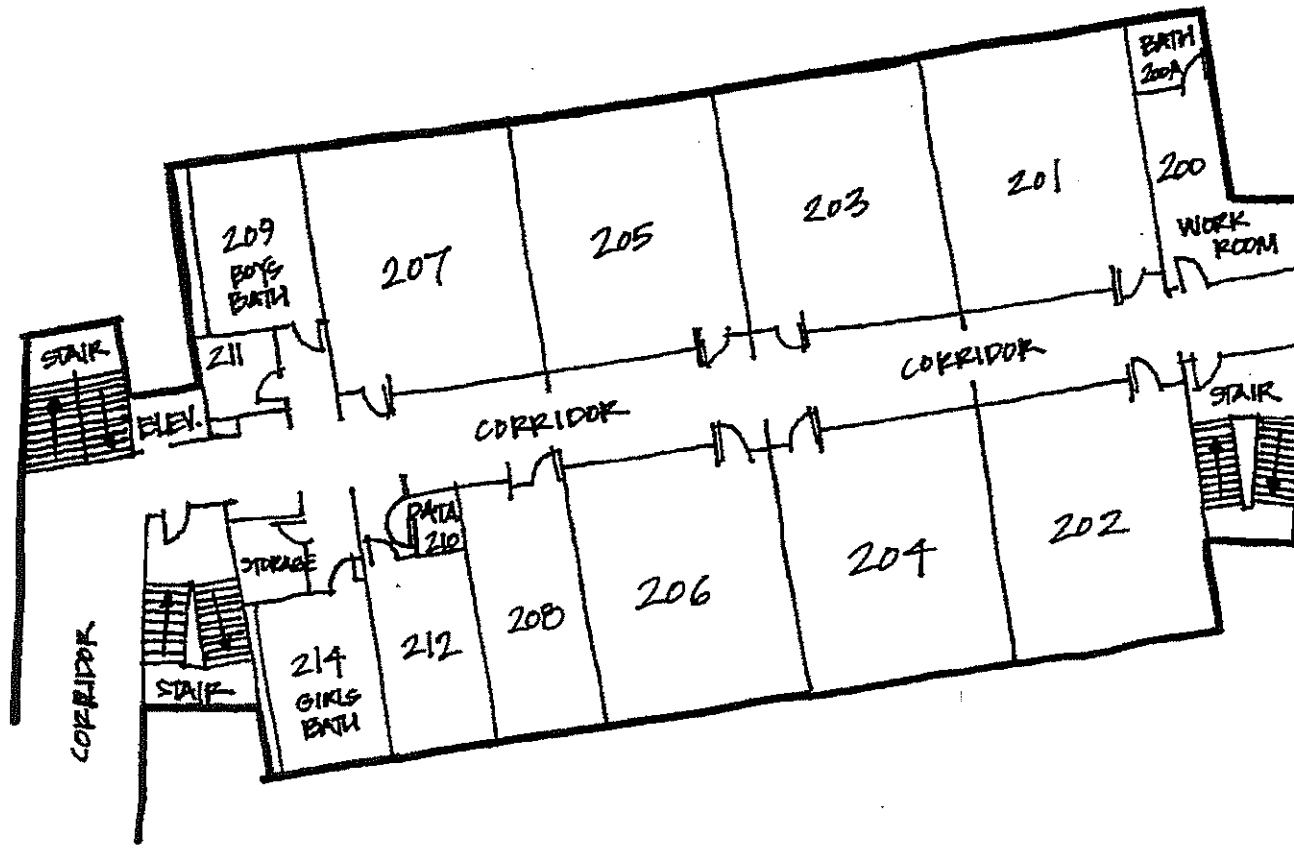
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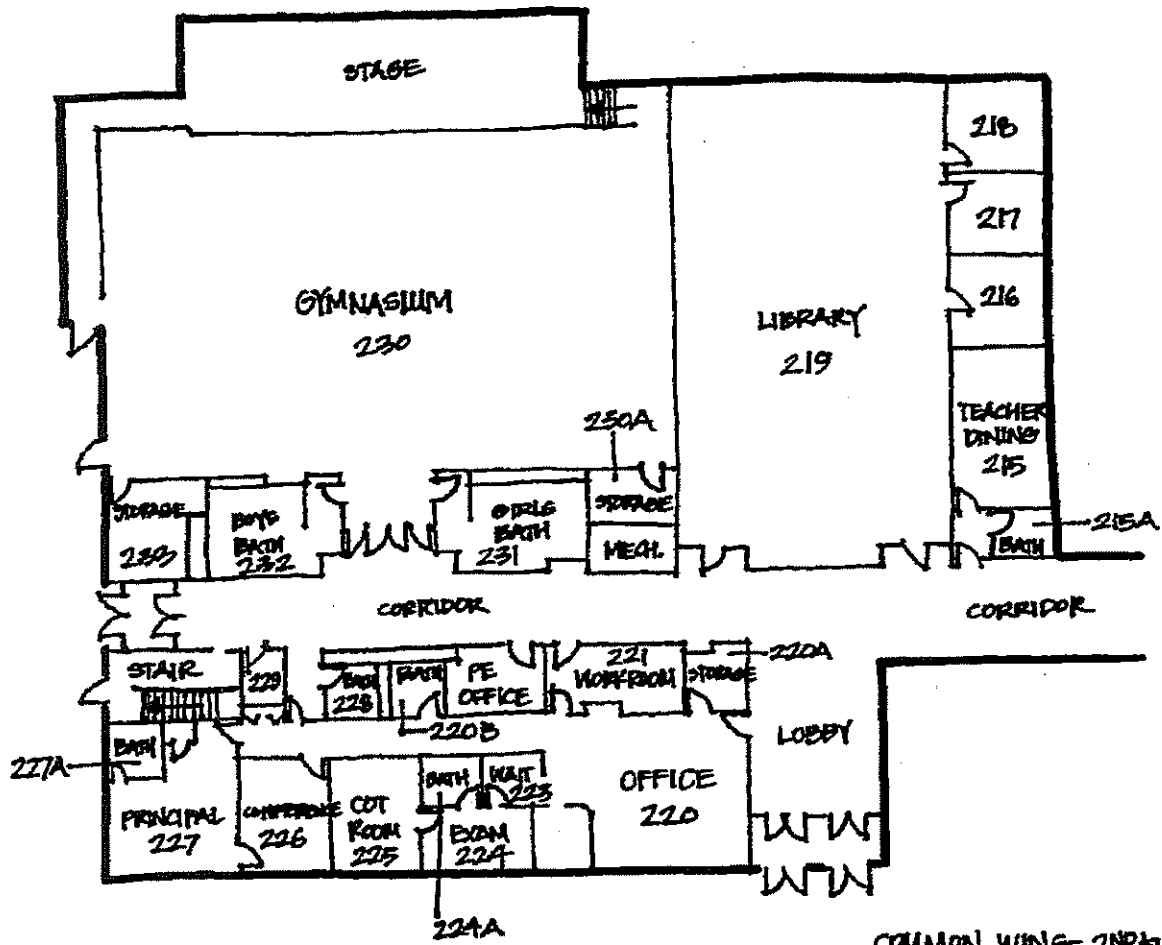
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 SPRING GLEN SCHOOL HAMDEN, CT



COMMON WING - 1ST FLOOR  
 SPRING GLEN SCHOOL - HAMDEN, CT



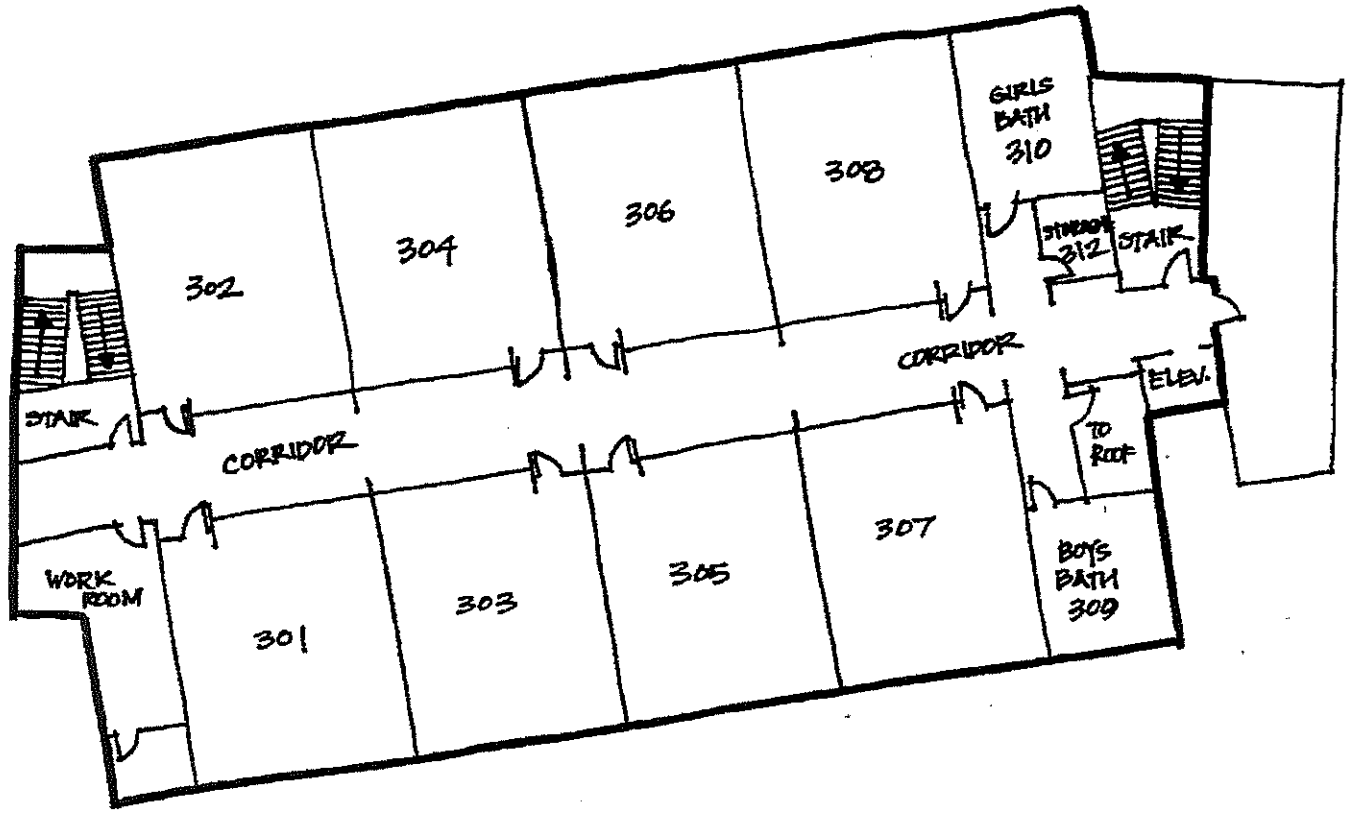
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SPRING ELEN SCHOOL  
HAMDEN, CT



COMMON WING - 2ND FLOOR  
 SPRING GLEN SCHOOL

HAMDEN, CT





ACADEMIC WING - 3RD FLOOR  
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**Appendix A: Laboratory Results**

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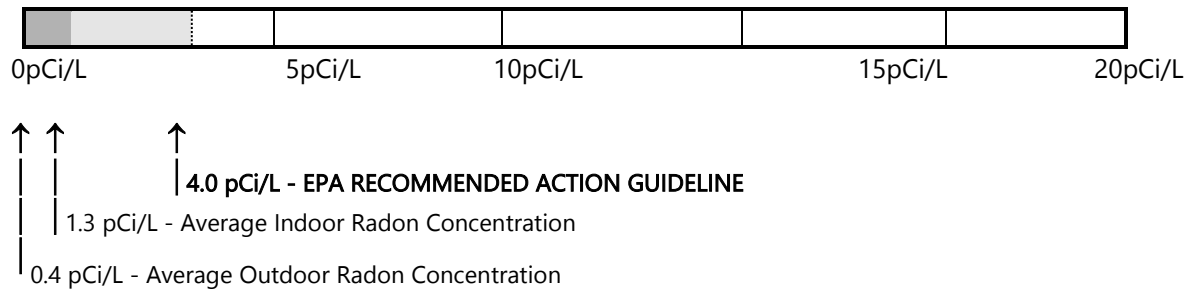
**West Woods Elementary School**

<i>Sample ID</i>	<i>Canister ID</i>	<i>Floor Level</i>	<i>Sample Location</i>	<i>Radon Level in pCi/L</i>
R1	RAS157	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Main Office **	< 0.5
R2	RAS158	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Main Office	< 0.5
R3	RAS159	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Gym (Right)	< 0.5
R4	RAS160	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Gym (Left)	< 0.5
R5	RAS161	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Willow Room	< 0.5
R6	RAS162	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Math Office	< 0.5
R7	RAD111A	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Literacy Specialist (Blanchard)*	< 0.5
R8	RAD111B	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Literacy Specialist (Blanchard)*	< 0.5

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# **Appendix A**

## **Laboratory Results**



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## *RADON IN AIR LIQUID SCINTILLATION REPORT*

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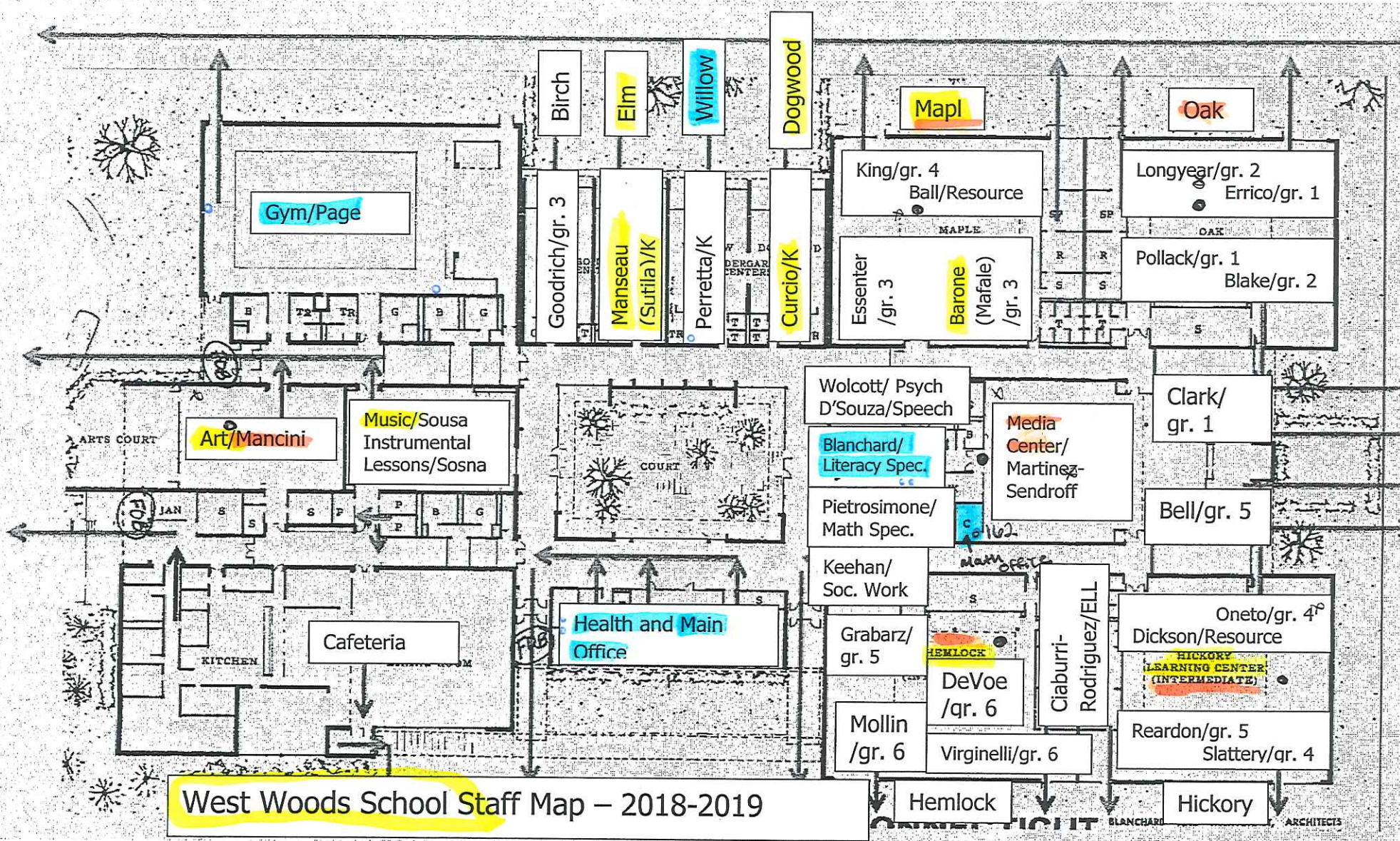
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**PROJ. NO.: IH-24-280**

RAS157	350 West Todd Street, Hamden, CT	West Woods Elementary   Main Office (Field Blank)	2/27/2024	12:43 PM	2/29/2024	1:02 PM	< 0.5
RAS158	350 West Todd Street, Hamden, CT	West Woods Elementary   Main Office	2/27/2024	12:43 PM	2/29/2024	1:02 PM	< 0.5
RAS159	350 West Todd Street, Hamden, CT	West Woods Elementary   Gym (Right)	2/27/2024	12:48 PM	2/29/2024	1:06 PM	< 0.5
RAS160	350 West Todd Street, Hamden, CT	West Woods Elementary   Gym (Left)	2/27/2024	12:49 PM	2/29/2024	1:07 PM	< 0.5
RAD111 A & B	350 West Todd Street, Hamden, CT	West Woods Elementary   Literacy Specialist (Blanchard)	2/27/2024	12:57 PM	2/29/2024	1:03 PM	< 0.5/< 0.5

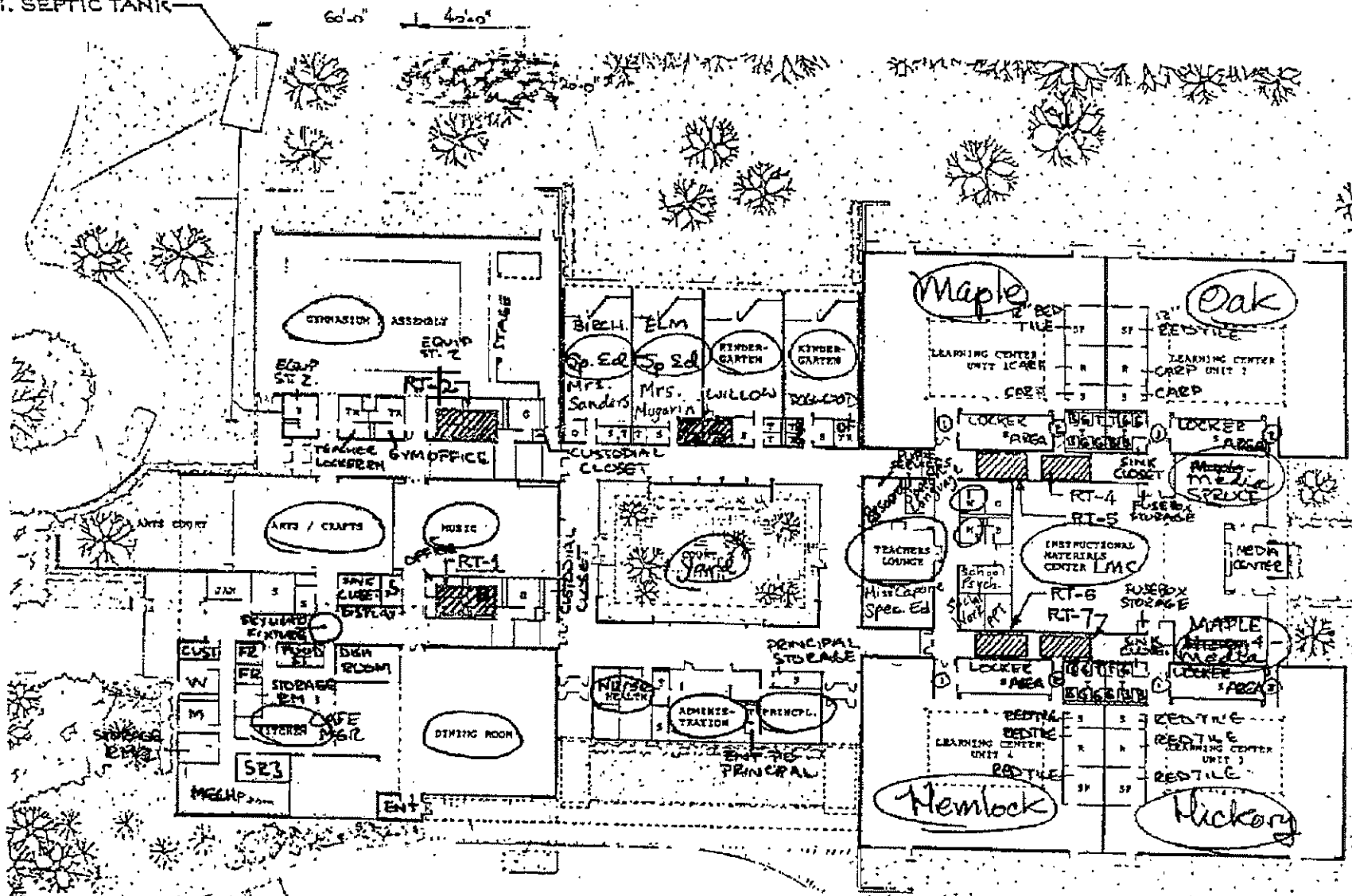
# **Appendix B**

## **Radon Sample Locations**



WEST WOODS SCHOOL  
 350 WEST TODD ST.  
 HAMDEN, CT 06518

EXIST. SEPTIC TANK



RT - ROOFTOP UNIT

MASTER PLAN

B-boys' toilet; C-conference; G-guest toilet; L-learning disability; M-men's toilet; O-observations; P-practice; R-reading; S-storage; Ss-speech/hearing; SP-advance prep; SW-social work; T-toilet; W-women's toilet; WR-workroom

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## Radon In Schools

Every School  
Should take  
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## What You Should Know About Radon

**Chances are you've already heard of radon** - a radioactive gas that can cause lung cancer.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) ranks indoor radon among the most serious environmental health problems facing us today. After smoking, it is the second leading cause of lung cancer in the United States causing an estimated twenty-one thousand (21,000) lung cancer deaths a year. It is the leading cause of lung cancer among non-smokers.

**Radon is a naturally occurring gas that seeps into buildings from the surrounding soil.** In some cases, well water may be a source of radon.

**Radon exposure increases your risk of lung cancer.** Radon gas decays into radioactive particles that can get trapped in your lungs when you breathe. As these particles break down, they release small bursts of energy. These bursts can damage lung tissue and lead to lung cancer over the course of your lifetime. Your risk of getting lung cancer from radon depends mostly on three factors:

1. The level of radon gas in the air you breath;
2. The duration of exposure (how many hours you spend exposed);
3. Your smoking habits.

**What you might not have heard** - elevated levels of radon have been found in classrooms in a number of schools in Connecticut. Therefore, it is important that students, teachers, and parents are aware that a potential problem could exist in their school. A nationwide survey of radon levels in schools estimates that nearly one in five has at least one schoolroom with a short-term radon level above the EPA action level of 4.0 pCi/L (picocuries per liter) - the level at which EPA recommends that schools take action to reduce it.



## Radon in Schools

### Testing is the Only Way to Know!

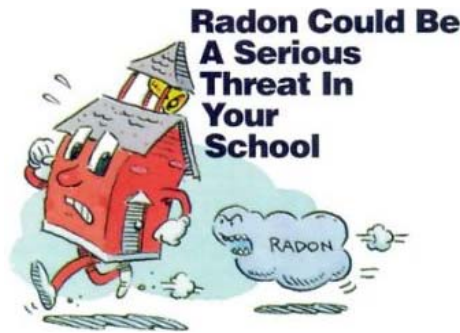
Having your school tested for radon is required by law in the State of Connecticut. In fact, the only way to discover if high levels of radon are present is through testing. As real as the threat of radon is, the good news is that the problem can be solved.

### How are schools tested for radon?

Testing for radon is simple and relatively inexpensive.

### School officials will make sure to:

- Test all frequently occupiable rooms on and below the ground level,
- Conduct tests in the colder months of the year when school is in session,
- Keep all windows shut during testing, and
- Communicate the results to parents, teachers and students.



### As Easy as 1-2-3!

#### Step 1: Initial Testing:

- Take short-term tests

#### Step 2: Follow-up Testing:

- Take a second short-term test in rooms where the initial level is 4.0 pCi/L or more

#### Step 3: Take action to reduce levels if:

- The average of the initial and follow-up short-term tests is 4.0 pCi/L or more.

### Four is the magic number...

If radon levels exceed 4.0 pCi/L, action should be taken to reduce radon in your school. Fortunately, even if your school does have high radon levels, the problem can be corrected.

Proven techniques are available that reduce radon levels and lower risks of lung cancer.



## Radon in Homes

School isn't the only place that you, your children, or teachers can be exposed to radon.

Many people spend more time at home, where high radon levels may pose a much greater threat to their health. Test your home for radon, if you haven't already! The Surgeon General joined the EPA in issuing a national health advisory, urging us all to test our homes for radon.

*"Indoor radon gas is the second-leading cause of lung cancer in the United States and breathing it over prolonged periods can present a significant health risk to families all over the country. It's important to know that this threat is completely preventable. Radon can be detected with a simple test and fixed through well-established venting techniques."*

U.S. Surgeon General, January 2005

**Once again, testing is simple and inexpensive.** After all, radon is one health problem nobody should have to live with - at home or at school.

## In Summary

### Radon

- Radon is a naturally occurring radioactive gas
- Radon usually comes from soils and rock, but can also come from well water
- Breathing in radon increases your risk of lung cancer
- Testing is the only way to find out if radon is a problem

### Radon in Schools

- Testing is as easy as 1-2-3
  1. Testing must occur in all occupiable spaces at or below ground level
  2. Testing must occur while school is in session
  3. If high levels of radon are found, confirm them
- Radon testing is required in public schools in Connecticut
- When high levels are found, steps will be taken to reduce radon gas in the school
- The CT Department of Public Health can provide guidance documents and information to schools and the general public

### Radon in Your Home

- You and your children probably spend more time in your home than you do at work or school
- Test your home for radon!
- The Radon Program can provide you with a list of qualified professionals