

**To:** ANC7D, SMD7D08, Commissioner Brian Alcorn  
**From:** The Department of General Services (DGS)  
**Date:** July 25, 2023  
**Subject:** Eastern High School: Environmental Safety Testing Result Notification

Commissioner Alcorn:

The Department of General Services (DGS) takes our commitment to maintaining the health and safety of our residents seriously. One of our responsibilities is executing the Public Facilities Environmental Safety Amendment Act of 2020, which requires DGS to conduct proactive, routine testing of public buildings across 17 environmental parameters. We write to you today about test results and related remediation at a building in your Single Member District located at 1700 East Capitol St. NE.

During routine testing at the Eastern High School, we found one environmental risk, as defined by the legislation.

The finding was of elevated dust levels in the building. The next step is to determine the source of the dust and remediate it. If you would like to track the progress of that work, the work order number is 749841. An additional work order (749840) has been issued to address the levels of dust in the band room. Both work orders have an estimated completion date of August 24 for assessment and cleaning.

**What are the next steps?** In accordance with the Public Facilities Environmental Safety Amendment Act of 2020, details and test results will be available on the DGS website. DGS will also hold a public meeting on August 16 at 6:30pm to share details. You can join the meeting by using this link: <https://tinyurl.com/DGSEnvironmentalTesting3>. Feel free to share the link with community members as needed.

We appreciate your time and understanding of the work that we are doing to maintain the health and safety of those who work and go to school at Eastern High School. If you have questions, please contact Mike McLaughlin, DGS External Affairs at [environmental.dgs@dc.gov](mailto:environmental.dgs@dc.gov).