

To: ANC2E, SMD2E01, Commissioner Kishan Kumar Putta
From: The Department of General Services (DGS)
Date: August 7, 2023
Subject: Hardy Middle School Environmental Safety Testing Result Notification

Commissioner Putta:

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 1819 35th St. NW.

During routine testing at Hardy Middle School we found three environmental risks, as defined by the legislation:

- Elevated levels of dust in the boiler room. The estimated completion date for remediation is August 24, 2023 and the work order number is 751092.
- Moisture intrusion was identified along the doorway to the boiler room, which can result in the development of mold and mildew. The identification and remediation of mold found is expected to be complete September 15, 2023 and the work order number is 751090.
- Pest intrusion through burrows along the outside of the building. DGS plans to treat and close the burrows by August 18, 2023 and the work order number is 751091.

You can find more information about these environmental tests by visiting our new database of inspection details here: <https://dcdgs.my.site.com/BEA/s/>.

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 Hardy Middle School. If you have questions, please contact Mike McLaughlin, DGS External Affairs at environmental.dgs@dc.gov.