

September 3, 2021

Dr. Tracy Handerhan,  
Superintendent  
Wall Township Schools  
1620 18th Ave  
Wall Township, NJ 07719

Dear. Dr. Handerhan,

This report summarizes the results of our August 26-27, 2021 monitoring of the Wall Township High School Gym for airborne mercury vapors. The purpose of this monitoring was to determine airborne mercury levels within the gym in preparation for return to in-person teaching and learning scheduled for September 2021.

Evaluation criteria and methods are identical to those previously reported and will not be repeated herein.

## I. Methods

The following methods were followed during this assessment:

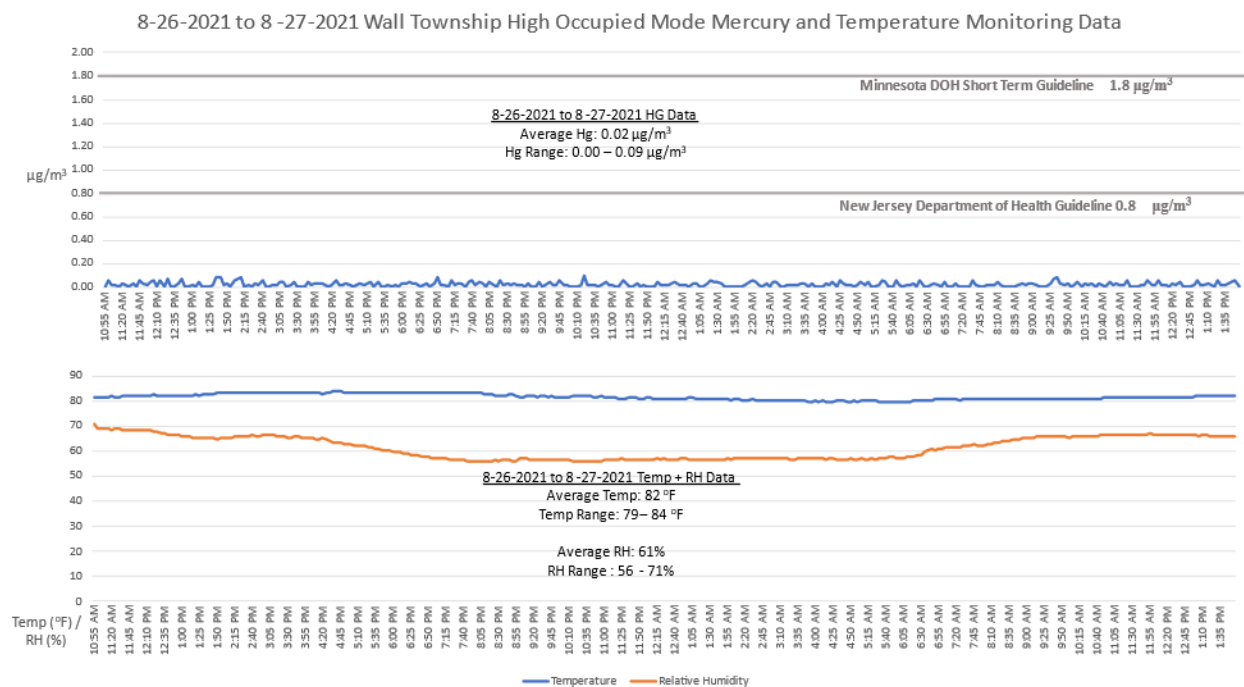
- Continuous air monitoring was conducted within the gym between approximately 10:55AM on August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021 and 1:55 PM on Aug 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021.
- All mercury air monitoring was conducted using a calibrated Jerome J505 Mercury Vapor Analyzer with a reported detection limit of 0.05  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  which reads as low as 0.00  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  with a resolution of 0.01.
- Temperature and humidity were measured using a TSI Q Trak VelociTrak IAQ Meter

## II. Findings

Findings revealed the following:

- Outdoor airborne mercury was at approximately 0.01 micrograms per cubic meter ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ). Outdoor temperature was as high as 92°F during the monitoring period.
- Airborne mercury levels measured at the gym center between August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021 and Aug 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021 **averaged, 0.02  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  (range 0.00 - 0.09  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )**; well below the NJDOH Guideline of 0.8  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ . Gym temperature averaged 82°F (range 79 - 84 °F) during this monitoring period. Relative humidity within the gym averaged 61% .

Figure #1 below displays the results of the mercury, temperature, and humidity findings over the monitoring period.



### III. Conclusions and Recommendations

Based upon the above, airborne mercury levels within the Wall Township High School gym during between August 26- 27, 2021 averaged 0.02 ug/m<sup>3</sup> with a maximum of 0.09 ug/m<sup>3</sup>; significantly lower than the NJ Department of Health guideline of 0.8 ug/m<sup>3</sup>.

#### Recommendations

1. Continue to operate the gym's air handling unit in the 24/7 occupied mode.
2. Periodic non-abrasive custodial cleaning of the gym should continue.
3. Our next monitoring will be conducted in November 2021.

Thank you for the opportunity to assist you with the evaluation. Please contact me with any questions at (856)764-3557.

Sincerely,  
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*Certification of Instrument Calibration*

RMA # 2796776

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Riverside, NJ 08075

This is to certify that the Jerome **J505-0005** Atomic Fluorescence Mercury Analyzer, Serial Number **50500325**, was calibrated with standard units traceable to NIST.

Calibration Status as Received:	<u>Out of Calibration</u>		
	Actual	Calibration Gas	Allowable Range
<b>Incoming:</b>	28.21 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ Hg 0.74 % RSD	25.00 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ Hg	22.50 - 27.50 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ Hg <5%
<b>Outgoing:</b>	24.77 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ Hg 0.65 % RSD	25.00 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ Hg	23.75 - 26.25 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ Hg <3%
<b>Calibration Verification:</b>	$\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ Hg % RSD	0.300 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ Hg	0.255 - 0.345 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ Hg <15%

Calibration Status as Left: In Calibration

Estimated Uncertainty of Calibration System: 3.5%

Calibration Date: 22-Jan-2021      Recalibration Date: 21-Jan-2022

Temperature °F: 71.10      % Relative Humidity: 42.00

Approved By: *Cheryl Hradek*  
Title: Cheryl Hradek - Quality Control

Date Approved: 10-Feb-2021

Equipment Used:

Permeation Tube: S89-56804 NIST#: 15013265; 072958  
Calibration Date: 21-May-2020 Calibration Date Due: 21-May-2021

DynaCalibrator: M-1878 NIST#: 19-2985  
Calibration Date: 30-Sep-2020 Calibration Date Due: 30-Sep-2021

Digital Multimeter: 66961028 NIST#: 7003135  
Calibration Date: 24-Feb-2020 Calibration Date Due: 24-Feb-2021

Mass Flow Controller: 63665 NIST#: 227080  
Calibration Date: 27-Mar-20 Calibration Date Due: 27-Mar-21

Calibration Procedure Used: 730-0165

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