

**DETROIT HEALTH DEPARTMENT  
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH & SAFETY  
FIELD INVESTIGATION REPORT**

**RESIDENT/BUSINESS NAME:** NICHOLS ELEMENTARY

**ADDRESS:** 3020 BURNS STREET, DETROIT, MI

**COMPLAINANT:** Referral from BSEED

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**TYPE OF INVESTIGATION:**

<b>Air Quality</b>	<b>Hazardous Waste</b>
<b>Environmental</b>	<b>Solid Waste</b>
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**OTHER:**

**NATURE OF COMPLAINT:** DETROIT PUBLIC SCHOOLS/ Potential health-related violations observed by BSEED inspectors

**DATE OF INSPECTION:** 1/25/16

**INVESTIGATION SUMMARY:** An environmental health inspection was conducted at Nichols Elementary. Representatives from the Detroit Health Department-Environmental Health and Safety were there to assess the over-all environmental health and safety conditions of this DPS school facility.

**Findings and Recommendations:**

1. Heat is not distributed evenly throughout the building. Verify circulation pump is working in the boiler room area. Evidence of leaking radiators appear on the gym walls and floor. Remove stains from gym walls and clean water from floor within 72 hours. An inspection of the boiler is requested by a 3<sup>rd</sup> party certified contractor within 30 days. Repairs need to be listed including a date of completion.
2. Water damaged walls, ceilings and floors were witnessed in the Cafeteria/Auditorium, Gymnasium ceilings and throughout the building. These are signs of possible roof leaks and damage. An inspection of the roof and gutter system is requested by a 3<sup>rd</sup> party certified contractor within 72 hours. Repair all damaged ceilings, walls and floors throughout the building within 30 days. Repairs need to be listed including a date of completion.
3. Water damage is causation of mold and mold spores. An air quality inspection is requested by a 3<sup>rd</sup> party certified contractor within 72 hours.
4. A loose handrail was observed leading to the basement gym area. Repair all handrails found in disrepair within 30 days.
5. Peeling and loose paint was observed in the basement gym hallway. Scrape and repaint any loose

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paint found throughout this building within 30 days.

6. An integrated rodent and pest management program will need to be used with regular verification. Please establish within 72 hours.
7. Failure to conduct repairs within a timely manner will result in a recommendation of facility closure and the revocation of Certificate of Occupancy from the Detroit Health Department. Health Department representatives will follow up in 72 hours on roof and air quality inspection, pest management, and gym walls and floors, and 30 days on boiler inspections, walls, ceilings, floor, loose handrail, and paint.



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