



Certificate of Laboratory Analysis

Non-Viable Spore Trap Analysis

Dare County Schools
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Project #: 25-2447
Project Location: Manteo Middle School
 1000 US-64
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Table 1: Non-Viable Air Samples

Date Collected:	11/9/25	11/9/25	11/9/25	11/9/25	11/9/25
	1	2	3	4	5
Spore Identification	Cafeteria	Gym	Art Room	CR C27	Library
<i>Cladosporium</i>	27	13	-	40	13
Ascospores	-	27	-	27	13
Basidiospores ²	-	-	27	-	-
Smuts, <i>Periconia</i> , <i>Myxomycetes</i> ⁴	13	-	-	-	-
<i>Penicillium/Aspergillus</i> Group ¹	13	-	-	-	-
Hyphal Elements ³	-	-	-	13	-
<i>Alternaria</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Curvularia</i>	13	-	-	-	-
<i>Epicoccum</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Cercospora</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Arthrimum</i>	-	-	-	-	-
Clear Brown	-	-	-	-	-
Colorless	-	-	-	-	-
Trichocladium	-	-	-	-	-
Unidentified	-	-	-	13	-
<i>Ulocladium</i>	-	-	-	-	-
Torula	-	-	-	-	-
Pithomyces	-	-	-	-	-
Rust ⁵	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Drechslera/Bipolaris</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Tetraploa</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Chaetomium</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Stachybotrys</i>	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Total Spores/m³	67	40	27	93	27
Particulate Level	low	low	low	low	low
Date Analyzed:	11/18/25	11/18/25	11/18/25	11/18/25	11/18/25

Analyzed by: Cathy A. Richmond, B.S.

The results reported by LRC are a record of the microbes identified by our laboratory staff. We assume responsibility over analysis conducted in the laboratory, but cannot assume responsibility for activities completed in the field by the client, other personnel associated with the samples submitted, or other activities beyond the laboratory. Any information given other than microbial information, is provided as general reference information from published sources and is not an extension of liability to LRC.



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	6	7	8	9	10
Spore Identification	Hall at D14	Hall at E13	CR E05	CR D09	2nd Floor Center
<i>Cladosporium</i>	53	-	-	-	-
Ascospores	27	-	13	13	-
Basidiospores ²	-	40	13	27	80
Smuts, <i>Periconia</i> , <i>Myxomycetes</i> ⁴	13	-	-	-	-
<i>Penicillium/Aspergillus</i> Group ¹	-	-	-	13	-
Hyphal Elements ³	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Alternaria</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Curvularia</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Epicoccum</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Cercospora</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Arthrimum</i>	-	-	-	-	-
Clear Brown	-	-	-	-	-
Colorless	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Trichocladium</i>	-	-	-	-	-
Unidentified	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Ulocladium</i>	-	-	-	-	-
Torula	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Pithomyces</i>	-	-	-	-	-
Rust ⁵	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Drechslera/Bipolaris</i>	-	-	-	13	-
<i>Tetraploa</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Chaetomium</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Stachybotrys</i>	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Total Spores/m³	93	40	27	67	80
Particulate Level	low-moderate	low	low	low	low
Date Analyzed:	11/18/25	11/18/25	11/18/25	11/18/25	11/18/25

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	11	12	13	14	15
Spore Identification	Hall at G05	CR G10	Hall at F12	CR F06	Outdoor Air
<i>Cladosporium</i>	-	-	-	93	1173
Ascospores	-	13	-	13	213
Basidiospores ²	80	120	67	67	1813
Smuts, <i>Periconia</i> , <i>Myxomycetes</i> ⁴	-	-	-	-	53
<i>Penicillium/Aspergillus</i> Group ¹	13	13	-	-	-
Hyphal Elements ³	-	-	-	-	53
<i>Alternaria</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Curvularia</i>	-	13	13	-	53
<i>Epicoccum</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Cercospora</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Arthrinium</i>	-	-	-	-	-
Clear Brown	-	-	-	-	-
Colorless	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Trichocladium</i>	-	-	-	-	-
Unidentified	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Ulocladium</i>	-	-	-	-	-
Torula	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Pithomyces</i>	-	-	-	-	-
Rust ⁵	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Drechslera/Bipolaris</i>	-	-	-	-	53
<i>Tetraploa</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Chaetomium</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Stachybotrys</i>	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Total Spores/m³	93	160	80	173	3413
Particulate Level	low	low-moderate	low	low-moderate	low-moderate
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Report Information:

DETECTION LIMITS (DL) for samples are the minimum number of spores or colonies forming units that can be satisfactorily identified for each sample type.

SPORE TRAP SAMPLES: Calculations based on volume of air sampled & percentage of slide counted, i.e. DL = 1000 L / 75 L if 100% of the slide is counted.

CODE 11: Fungal content and/or particulate level on slide too heavy to identify and enumerate fungal content.

Footnotes:

- 1. Penicillium/Aspergillus group spores are characterized by their small size, round to ovoid shape, being unicellular and usually colorless to lightly pigmented. There are numerous genera of fungi whose spore morphology is similar to that of the Penicillium/Aspergillus type. Several common examples would be Acremonium, Paecilomyces, and Trichoderma. Although the majority of spores placed in this group are Penicillium, Aspergillus, or a combination of both, these are not the only two possibilities.
2. Basidiospores are primarily transported indoors from outdoor sources and rarely grow indoors. A high basidiospore count indoors can be indicative of a wood decay problem or wet soil, and should be verified if and an outdoor source of the spores is not present.
3. Hyphae are the tubular filaments of fungi. Hyphae can fragment and become airborne much like spores and are potentially allergenic.
4. The Smut, Periconia, Myxomycete group is a group composed of three different types of organisms whose spores have similar morphologies. Smuts are plant pathogens, Periconia is a relatively uncommon mold indoors, and Myxomycetes are not fungi, but slime molds. Although these organisms do not typically proliferate indoors, their spores are potentially allergenic.
5. Rusts are plant pathogens. These fungi do not typically grow indoors unless an infected plant is present. Rust spores are potentially allergenic.

Direct Microscopic Exam Reporting:

We use a 400x-600x magnification microscope.

Reporting Quantification Levels are as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Reporting Level, Quantitative Description. Rows include Occasional (1-10 per square inch), Few (11-100 per square inch), Moderate (101-1000 per square inch), and Numerous (More than 1,000 per square inch).

Submitted By Analyst:

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11/18/2025