



### Clean Air for Schools Program Overview

Program Mission: provide schools access to evidence-based building performance information (ventilation & comfort) through real-time indoor air quality monitoring.

Installing 2,400 IAQ monitors in 369 Colorado K-12 Schools IAQ Monitors covering 25% of classrooms in each school

Each enrolled school receives:

Installed indoor air quality (IAQ) monitoring system : Temperature, Humidity,  $CO_{2'}PM_{1'}PM_{2.5'}PM_{10} & TVOC$ 

Access and ownership of IAQ Dashboard and all historical data (includes complete ownership of data): schools own all data, and decide who has access to the data. The data is secure! Includes a 2-year subscription to access dashboard and analytics software platform.

Program Funding:

# Why Real-Time IAQ Monitoring?











#### The higher the FRESH air exchange rate the better



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The average amount of time it takes to replace one entire indoor room volume with "fresh" outdoor air





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#### Schools decide:

What data to view Who has access to the data Who to share the data with







Measured Parameters: Temperature, Humidity, CO<sub>2</sub>, PM<sub>1</sub>, PM<sub>2.5</sub>, PM<sub>10</sub> TVOC

### All data is stored and accessible in a secure archive

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### (near) real-time airborne (bio) chemical sensors



#### All IAQ data are securely archived



HVAC performance monitoring

- Occupant density
- Fresh air exchange rate

### You can't manage what you don't measure

IAQ Guidelines to help understand measured IAQ data

Measurement



Real-Time IAQ Monitoring Use Cases



# **HEPA Filters**

### (near) real-time airborne (bio)chemical sensors



Airborne microscopic particulate matter (PM) in respirable size ranges (includes bioaerosols)







Establish Norm alized SeasonalTrends for PM ExpP ords







#### Real Time Airborne Particle Monitoring



Classroom Cleaning & Building Flushout



# VOC patterns verify classroom cleaning and beneficial effect of building ventilation flushing



Understanding Building Hygiene Indicators -EXAMPLE FOR INDICATION OF NEED FOR DUCT/HVAC SYSTEM COMPONENT CLEANING



# Sloughing & Resuspension of Duct PM following daily HVAC system start up



Intersection of Indoor Air Quality, Energy Efficiency, & Preventive Maintenance



# Adjusting HVAC Operations





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Effect of Ventilation Strategies During Wildfires



### Solution: Real Time Customizable IAQ monitors



- Wireless Sensors
  - Temperature & Humidity
    - CO2
  - PM (1, 2.5, 10)
  - TVOC
  - UL2905 Certified
- Cloud-software
  - Real-time dashboard
  - Real-time alerts
  - Lobby View
  - Map View

## Floor Plans

Simple snapshot of IAQ levels on a floor plan

# School Map View

Easily navigate a map view of the entire school district. Accessible 24/7 via URL for your staff, teachers and families.



## Installation Process & Timeline

Non-intrusive & discrete



## Tips for success

Learn more in an IAQ Dashboard Training Session and Additional IAQ Resources provided

Set up an IAQ monitoring and management plan. What can you learn from your IAQ data when buildings are empty and when occupied? How will you determine IAQ outliers for your school classrooms? How will, and who in, your schools will address those issues? How often do you plan to check in on the IAQ data (you can set up your own alerts)

Assign ownership of data access and monitoring to your administrators and staff appropriately. Designate a main IAQ Point of Contact with your District and/or School(s). Who will communicate and address IAQ issues at your school(s)?

Communicate your IAQ monitoring and management plan with school administrators, facility managers, staff and teachers

Educate administrators, staff, teachers, and students about what impacts school IAQ and what your school(s) are doing to maintain good IAQ

### Additional IAQ Resources

- What Schools Need to Know: Transitioning from Pandemic to Endemic IAQ Management (EPA Webinar)
- EPA Indoor Air Quality Tools for Schools Action Kit
- US Green Building Council Center for Green Schools
  - USGBC Green Schools Indoor Air Quality Fellow Application or Leaders in Sustainability Fellowship
  - School IAQ Workshop Fall 2023
- ASHRAE Technical Resources for Schools
- CDC Operational Guidance for K-12 Schools and Early Care and Education Programs to Support Safe In-Person Learning
- DOE Efficient and Healthy Schools Campaign & Resources
- American Lung Association Clean Air at School



# Key Takeaways

## Can't manage what you

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