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To: Superintendent of Education

From: Education Suruhanu

Subject: FQ Sanchez Elementary School Inspection

Dear Dr. Bretania Underwood:

An inspection of the FQ Sanchez Elementary School campus occurred on June 30, 2010. The agencies that participated in the inspection were the Department of Public Health and Social Services (DPHSS), the Guam Environmental Protection Agency, and our office. As a result of the inspection, DPHSS issued a letter grade "A" for the school building with a total demerit score of 4. Public Health was not able to perform and inspection of the Cafeteria at this time because it was not in operation and because there is no assigned cafeteria vendor.

P.L. 28-45 § 4 (12) (l) of the Adequate Public Education Act (the Act), requires Public Schools to provide a healthful, safe, and sanitary learning environment. However, the Act does not provide for a time frame to come into compliance for the noted discrepancies/violations. As such, GDOE should rectify such discrepancies/violations immediately. In addition, Title 10 G.C.A. Chapter 21 states that violations identified in a DPHSS inspection report must be corrected within a specific time frame. When an inspection yields a demerit score of 20 or less, all violations of two (2) or four (4) demerit points must be corrected within a period of time not to exceed 30 days. See 10 G.C.A. § 21107 (2) (a). The school building received a demerit score of 4; therefore, the two (2) and/or four (4) demerit point items listed in the DPHSS School building inspection report must be corrected within 30 days from the date of the inspection.

I strongly recommend that GDOE address all discrepancies/violations identified in the inspection report and rectify them immediately in order to come into compliance with the various regulatory agency codes, with the various provisions of the Fourteen (14) Points of the Act, and/or with any other applicable laws or rules. Because not all the school's classrooms or school's facilities were inspected, GDOE is highly encouraged to assess all other classrooms and school facilities in order to identify any other discrepancies and perform the necessary corrective action.

Please submit to my office in writing, GDOE's plan to rectify each of the discrepancies/violations identified in any such inspection report, including but not limited to the measure taken or to be taken to rectify the discrepancy/violation and the date when such discrepancy/violation was rectified or would be rectified.

Respectfully submitted,

Dominic Terlaje

Honorable Speaker, 30th Guam Legislature

Billy Cruz, GDOE Facilities and Maintenance Manager (via email)

Date

Chairman, GEPB (via email)

FQ Sanchez Elementary School Principal (via email)

Attachment: Inspection

Government of Guam Office of the Education Suruhanu (OES) School Inspection Report

PUBLIC LAW 28-45: 14 POINTS COMPLIANCE

School Representative: Derrick Santos, Principal Weather Condition: Sunny and warm

Student Population: (Males: 29) (Females: 26)

The School building received a letter grade "A" with a total of 4 demerits. Public Health was not able to perform and inspection of the Cafeteria at this time because it was not in operation and because there is no assigned cafeteria vendor.

School: FQ Sanchez Elementary School

	Location	14 Point (a-n)	Type of Citation (PH=DPHSS, F=Fire Dept, E~EPA, S≃Suruhanu	Date of Citation	D e m e r i	Description of Finding	Comments	Recommendations
	16 and walkway	l	PH & S	6/30/10		Observed A/C drain pipe disconnected or missing causing water to drain onto the floor.	environment. The School Sanitation Code (the SSC) requires all floors to be kept clean and maintained. The SSC requires mechanical ventilation (A/C units) including A/C water drain	Address and rectify immediately in order to come into compliance with the law. Identify and repair to ensure that all A/C drain pipes are properly installed and secured in place to prevent any water leaks. Water draining onto floors were students travel requires immediate attention in order to prevent possible slip and fall injuries.
	Female student common use restroom	1	PH & S	6/30/10	2	Minimum lighting requirement not met.	P.L. 28-45 § 4 (12) (1) requires schools to provide a healthful, safe, and sanitary learning environment. The SSC requires all light fixtures to be in good working order to provide adequate lighting within a room.	Address and rectify immediately in order to come into compliance with the law. Identify and repair all light fixtures to ensure that all light fixtures are in good working order and that adequate lighting is provided in each room.
	Campus	1	E	6/30/10	N/A	No discrepancies were noted.		