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Dear New Orleans Charter Science & Mathematics High School Parent:

NOLA Public Schools would like to inform you of the recovery efforts and environmental services that has occurred at your child's school, New Orleans Charter Science & Mathematics High School, after Hurricane Ida.

After Hurricane Ida, the NOLA-PS engaged with a disaster recovery vendor and multiple environmental vendors to review buildings that were impacted by storm damage. The recovery vendor was tasked with assessing the damage and providing temporary mitigation measures which included sealing the building from water intrusion, drying areas where moisture was present, cleaning any surface area where microbial growth was observed and providing temporary repairs that are aligned with Louisiana State Fire Marshall requirements. New Orleans Charter Science & Mathematics High School had no mitigation repairs that were needed; however, some microbial growth was observed in one isolated area. This area was cleaned by the restoration vendor per environmental protocols.

Licensed environmental consultants were engaged to test those areas that were suspect for potential microbial growth and provided reports with conclusions and recommendations. It was communicated to all schools that any areas that had microbial growth were to be immediately closed off and restricted from use until clearance results were communicated to the school.

All sampling and testing were conducted in accordance with regulations established by the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ). NOLA-PS has shared all testing results to your child's school. These test results will ensure that air quality meets the standards set by LDEQ for children to safely return to the building.

If you have any questions about these actions or this process, please email us at facilities@opsb.us.

Best,



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Chief Operations Officer