Connecting Student Performance with Facility Performance



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"WE SHAPE OUR BUILDINGS, AND IN TURN THEY SHAPE US" WINSTON CHURCHILL

23% of the U.S. population goes to school every day

56.6 Million attend elementary and secondary schools

(According to National Center for Education Statistics there are 98,200 public schools, including about 6,700 charter schools. In fall 2015, there were about 34,600 private schools)

19.9 Million attend American colleges and universities



MEDIAN AGE OF EDUCATION BUILDINGS IN THE U.S. IS 33.5 YEARS OLD; 50% BUILT BEFORE 1962 SOURCE: ENERGY INFORMATION ADMINISTRATION

2016

STATE OF OUR SCHOOLS



America's K-12 Facilities





\$145 BILLION PER YEAR NEEDED FOR 21ST CENTURY FACILITIES FOR ALL CHILDREN



By the year 2035, approximately **three-quarters** (75%) of the built environment will be either new or renovated

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30% of students have attended **counseling** at some point either before or during college.

60% of college students have **disturbed sleep-wake** patterns.

Social anxiety and **academic stress** ranked high among students' concerns.

Only **3 in 10 adults** get the recommended amount of **physical activity.**













The Impact of School Buildings on Student Health and Performance

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HOW STUDENTS HEAR

acoustics are fundamental to learning



MECHANICAL SYSTEMS

Background Noise Levels must be 15 decibels quieter than speech

MATERIAL CHOICES

Reverberation Time and Noise Reduction Coefficient (NRC) affects speech intelligibility

CONNECTION / ADJACENCIES

Sound Transmission Coefficient (STC) determines how effectively walls and doors **separate sound**



Classroom studies find that there is a significant negative impact on short-term memory and speech perception as reverberation time increases. (Klatte et al, 2011)

HOW STUDENTS FEEL

thermal comfort in the classroom



SYSTEM TYPES

Temperature and humidity significantly affect student comfort and performance

AIR FLOW SYSTEMS

Increasing the amount of fresh air flow into classrooms can improve student attendance

CONFIGURATION OF CONTROLS

Personal control of their own environment gives occupants a sense of comfort



Studies showed a significant effect on student speed on the same tests when temperatures were lowered from 77 to 69 deg. F. The same result was reported to be a linear relationship, where reducing air temp by 1.8 deg. F "improved performance in terms of speed by from 2% - 4% in all tasks"

Thermal Comfort Factors

What is Thermal Comfort???

- ASHRAE 55 Outlines Six Environmental and Personal Factors
 - Temperature
 - Thermal Radiation
 - Relative Humidity
 - Air-Speed
 - Clothing Insulation
 - Activity Level (Metabolic Rate)



Thermal Comfort

Metabolic Rates

- 1.0 MET is assumed Sitting
- Heat Loss to a space from a person
- Fluctuates based on Activity Level
 and Environmental Factors



Thermal Comfort

Predicted Mean Vote (PMV)

- 7 Step Scale of Thermal Sensation
- Balance of Internal Heat production with Heat Loss

Predicted Percentage of Dissatisfied (PPD)

Quantitative prediction of occupants too
 warm or too cold



Thermal Comfort

Compliance with ASHRAE 55

- 80% of occupants are satisfied
- PMV between 0.5 and -0.5

Other Factors to Address

- Comfort parameters
 - Clothing Insulation
 - Metabolic Rate
 - Airspeed
 - Seasonal Conditions
- Local Discomfort
 - Location next to radiator
 - Location in room based on vents
 - Solar radiation
 - Building Envelope Design



Storage = Production - Loss



HOW STUDENTS BREATHE

clean indoor air is an important resource



BUILDING SYSTEMS

Building systems control *filtration* of particulates, air flow, and moisture content

MATERIALS AND FINISHES

Materials and finishes selected should be **low in toxins and particulates**

CLEANING PRACTICES

Limit the VOC content of cleaning solutions



Study results confirm that with IAQ management, including source control and adequate ventilation, student performance improves. (Myhrvold, A.N., E. Olsen, and O. Lauridsen, 1996)

Why is IAQ Important?

- Nearly 1 in 13 children of school-age has asthma
- Failure to respond promptly to IAQ has short and longterm impacts on staff and students
 - Coughing
 - Eye Irritation
 - Headaches
 - Allergic Reaction
 - Fatigue
 - Aggravating Asthma or other respiratory issues
 - Rare cases contribute to life-threatening events
- Some more susceptible to effects of IAQ
 - Asthma, allergies, or chemical sensitivities
 - Respiratory diseases
 - Suppressed immune systems
 - Those with contact lenses



Possible Impacts associated with Indoor Air Quality

- Impact Student attendance, comfort and performance
- Reduce teacher and staff performance
- Reduce efficiency of HVAC equipment
- Increase potential for School Closings
- Strain relationships between school administration, parents and staff
- Create negative publicity and impact community trust.





Target Filtration Levels for Spaces



Std. 52.2 Minimum Efficiency Reporting Value (MERV)	Application Guidelines			
	Typical Controlled Contaminant	Typical Applications and Limitations	Typical Air Filter/Cleaner Type	
16	0.30 to 1.0 µm Particle Size	Hospital inpatient care	Bag Filters	
15	All bacteria Most tobacco smoke Droplet nuclei (sneeze)	Smoking lounges Superior commercial	Nonsupported (nextole) micronne noergiass or synthetic media. 300 to 900 mm (12 to 36 in.) deep, 6 to 12 pockets. Box Filters Rigid style cartridge filters 150 to 300 mm (6 to 12 in.) deep may use lofted (air laid) or paper (wet laid)	
14	Cooking oil Most smoke	buildings		
13	insecticide dust Copier toner Most face powder Most paint pigments		media.	
12	1.0 to 3.0 µm Particle Size Legionella	Superior residential Better commercial	Bag Filters Nonsupported (flexible) microfine fiberglass or synthetic	
11	Humidifier dust Lead dust	buildings Hospital laboratories	media. 300 to 900 mm (12 to 36 in.) deep, 6 to 12 pockets. Box Filters	
10	Milled flour Coal dust		Rigid style cartridge filters 150 to 300 mm (6 to 12 in.) deep may use lofted (air laid) or paper (wet laid)	
9	Auto emissions Nebulizer drops Welding fumes		media.	
8	3.0 to 10.0 μm Particle Size Mold	Commercial buildings Better residential	Pleated Filters Disposable, extended surface, 25 to 125 mm	
7	Spores Hair spray	Industrial workplaces Paint booth inlet air	(1 to 5 in.) thick with cotton-polyester blend media, cardboard frame. Cartridge Filters Graded density viscous coated cube or pocket filters,	
6	Fabric protector Dusting aids			
5	Cement dust Pudding mix Snuff Powdered milk		synthetic media. Throwaway Disposable synthetic media panel filters.	
4	>10.0 µm Particle Size Pollen	Minimum filtration Residential	Throwaway Disposable fiberglass or synthetic panel filters	
3	Spanish moss Dust mites	Window air conditioners	Washable Aluminum mesh, latex coated animal hair, or foam rubber	
2	Sanding dust Spray paint dust		panel filters Electrostatic	
1	Textile fibers Carpet fibers		Self charging (passive) woven polycarbonate panel filter	

Note: A MERV for other than HEPA/ULPA filters also includes a test airflow rate, but it is not shown here because it has no significance for the purposes of this table.

Target Filtration Levels for Spaces

TABLE J-2 KCI Conditioned Per Appendix J Minimum Efficiency Reporting Value (MERV-A) Parameters

Standard 52.2 Appendix J Minimum Efficiency	Composite Average Particle Size Efficiency in Size Range, %			Average Arrestance, %
Reporting Value (MERV-A)	Range 1 (0.3–1.0µm)	Range 2 (1.0–3.0µm)	Range 3 (3.0–10.0µm)	
1–A	n/a	n/a	$E_3 - A < 20$	A _{avg} < 65
2-A	n/a	n/a	$E_3 - A < 20$	$65 \le A_{avg} < 70$
3–A	n/a	n/a	$E_3 - A < 20$	$70 \le A_{avg} < 75$
4–A	n/a	n/a	$E_3 - A < 20$	$75 \le A_{avg}$
5-A	n/a	n/a	$20 \le E_3 - A < 35$	n/a
6-A	n/a	n/a	$35 \le E_3 - \mathrm{A} < 50$	n/a
7–A	n/a	n/a	$50 \leq E_3 - A < 70$	n/a
8-A	n/a	n/a	$70 \leq E_3 - A$	n/a
9-A	n/a	$E_2 - A < 50$	$85 \le E_3 - A$	n/a
10-A	n/a	$50 \le E_2 - A < 65$	$85 \le E_3 - A$	n/a
11–A	n/a	$65 \le E_2 - A < 80$	$85 \le E_3 - A$	n/a
12-A	n/a	$80 \le E_2 - A$	$90 \le E_3 - A$	n/a
13–A	$E_1 - A < 75$	$90 \le E_2 - A$	$90 \le E_3 - A$	n/a
14-A	$75 \le E_1 - A < 85$	$90 \le E_2 - A$	$90 \le E_3 - A$	n/a
15-A	$85 \le E_1 - A < 95$	$90 \le E_2 - A$	$90 \leq E_3 - A$	n/a
16-A	$95 \le E_1 - A$	$95 \le E_2 - A$	$95 \le E_3 - A$	n/a



- Outdoor air intakes Location away from exhaust
- System cleanliness Clean system during installation and ongoing maintenance.
- Outdoor Air Location Evaluate proximity to local contaminate sources
- Effective Room Air distribution Ensure effectiveness for airflow in room
- Exhaust systems
- Quantity of outdoor air
 - Review against code requirements
 - ASHRAE 62.1 requirements









Air Change of Clean Air

Increasing air change rate can decrease in-room concentration of Infectious Particles or Quanta

There is a point of diminishing return in the reduction of Quanta within a room:

6 Air Changes per Hour

An Air Change per Hour is defined as how many times the air in the room is turned over and passed through a filtered device or Outside Air and complies with ASHRAE Std. 62.1 and ASHRAE position document on filtration and cleaning **Humidity Impact**

What do we know* about Airborne Transmission?

Relative Humidity between (40%-60%) slows the Transmission of Viruses



Influenza A is the subject of the study *High RH results in droplet stability

* Noti, John D., et al. "High humidity leads to loss of infectious influenza virus from simulated coughs." PloS one 8.2 (2013).
* Wan Yang and Lindsey Mars, "Mechanisms by Which Ambient Humidity May Affect Viruses in Aerosols", 2012 Oct.



Watch out for Ozone

UV-C and UV Tech to Consider

- Electronic air filters/air cleaners
- UV-C in ductwork and UV-C in upper-air units
- UVGI ultraviolet germicidal irriation
- UV-A (400-315 nm)
- UV-V (under 200 nm) can generate ozone
- Photocatalytic Oxidation (PCO)
- Bipolar Ionization/Corona Discharge
- Vaporized Hydrogen Peroxide (VHP)
- Pulsed Xenon (Pulsed UV)
- 405 nm visible light ("Near UV")
 - Virus Kill Effectiveness NOT well documented, see study "the environmental control of epidemic contagion, wells"
- Far UV (205 to 230 nm)
 - Can be harmful to people; limited effect on viruses

HOW STUDENTS SEE

classroom lighting and the visual experience



DAYLIGHTING

Natural light improves student performance

GLARE CONTROL / SHADING

When utilizing natural light, glare control, shading, and heat gain control are all factors to be considered

LIGHTING CONTROLS

Lighting controls can create different zones within a single space

Lighting & Learning

Students in daylit classrooms had greater improvement over the course of one school year in math and reading standardized tests than students in windowless classrooms.

Source: Heschong Mahone Group, 1999



Elementary school students in classrooms with the most daylight showed a 21% improvement in learning rates compared to students in classrooms with the least daylight. (Heschong Mahone Group, 2001)



In another study by the Heschong Mahone Group, Windows and Classrooms, researchers found an association between academic achievement and classroom views to the outdoors (Heschong, 2003)

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Source: https://dropality.com/



Source: http://www.sleepdisordersresource.co m/circadian-rhythm-sleep



Source: https://www.thepaleomom.com/regulatingcircadian-rhythm/



Fixed Color Temperature and Single Wavelength (the "good blue")

- Support robust daytime cycle
- Cool light to align with sustained daytime circadian rhythm (suppressed melatonin response)



"Tunable" Variable Color Temperature and Wavelength

- Immediate and/or scheduled adjustability
- Dual Biological (increased or decreased melatonin response)
- Selective daytime adjustment to illicit short-term behavioral responses
 - $_{\circ}~$ Cool light to achieve alertness
 - $_{\circ}~$ Warm light to achieve calmness





"The natural lighting throughout the building has made staff and students feel happier. Teachers have commented on how happy they feel when they are in the building."



HOW STUDENTS THINK & LEARN

cognitive functioning and the environment



PERSONALIZED LEARNING

Encourage a pedagogy that allows each student to achieve their full potential, through movement, visual stimulus, and even food

FLEXIBLE AND AGILE SPACES

Design and furnishings create multi-use spaces for different learning environments

COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL SPACES

Break out of the traditional classroom and promote a natural flow and mingling of people and ideas



There is a 25% contribution to better learning due to classroom design that integrates design features within a neuroscience framework. (Barrett, 2013)



A study looked at one school district in Connecticut and found that when school space improvement projects were undertaken by the district, test scores across renovated schools went up noticeably afterward (Neilson and Zimmerman, 2011)

HOW STUDENTS MOVE

physical activity affects cognitive function



PHYSICAL HEALTH

Preventing and combating childhood obesity helps students live longer, healthier lives

REGULAR PARTICIPATION

Schools play a big role in ensuring that students participate in physical activity every day

ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

Health benefits of physical activity extend past the body to the brain itself



Children respond faster and with greater accuracy to a variety of cognitive tasks after participating in a session of physical activity. A single bout of moderate-intensity physical activity can increase neural and behavioral concomitants associated with the allocation of attention to a specific cognitive task. (Hillman et al., 2009)

Sight Sound Smell Taste Touch Sight Sound Smell Taste Touch

Proprioception



(Image: www.childrensfactory.com)

(Breithecker, 2017)

MUSCLE ACTIVITY = NOURISHMENT FOR THE BRAIN





(Image: www.lemonlimeadventures.com)



RECOMMENDATIONS FOR STUDENTS



Choosing a Chair





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SEATING OPTIONS Stools + Lounge

(Image: VS America)

TABLE OPTIONS





CLASSROOM LAYOUT *Cluster – Group Work*



CLASSROOM LAYOUT *Circle - Discussion*

Incorporate Movement Into Curriculum Create Spaces for Flexible Configurations Implement Student – Centered Learning



- Energy Efficiency
- Visual Quality
- Acoustics
- Thermal Comfort
- Water
- Conservation
- Waste Reduction





For Existing Buildings



Questions and Answers

We thank you for your time!



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