



Education
PO Box 2703, Whitehorse, Yukon Y1A 2C6

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Wood Street Centre,

RE: Spring 2018 radon testing results

In spring 2018, we tested radon levels at your school. The results of the testing show radon levels at your school are within Health Canada's recommended range.

Radon testing results for schools are now available on the Department of Education's website at <http://www.education.gov.yk.ca/radon-monitoring.html>. Testing involved installing equipment to measure radon levels in every single room on the lowest level of a school building used for more than four hours a day. All schools were tested for a minimum of three months according to Yukon government's Radon Management Guideline.

The health and safety of students is our first priority. We will continue to ensure radon levels at Yukon schools remain within levels recommended by Health Canada. We will retest schools if:

- There is work done on a school exterior, foundation or basement;
- Seismic activity affects the school building;
- The ground or basement floors are renovated; or
- Radon remediation has been done on a school.

About radon

Radon is a colourless, odorless, naturally occurring gas in Yukon. It does not pose an immediate danger to health and is only a concern if there is prolonged exposure to high concentrations over many years.

It is also important to check the radon levels in your home. You can either purchase a do-it-yourself radon test kit from a hardware store or online, or you can hire a certified radon measurement professional. Yukon has a number of specialists who have been certified by the Canadian National Radon Proficiency Program. You can find a listing of certified professionals in Yukon at www.takeactiononradon.ca.

Sincerely,

Greg Storey
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