Physical Environment Subcommittee Goals and Activities

GOAL #4  Increase indoor space wellness

Activities:

4.1  Increase natural light
4.2  Noise control
4.3  Temperature control
4.4  Best practices of healthy use of space
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### Activity 4.1- Increase natural light

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<td>1. New and renovation projects to include windows throughout the school</td>
<td>• Increase in natural light</td>
<td>• Verify new designs and renovations increase natural light</td>
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<td>2. Replace Plexiglas windows in schools</td>
<td>• Reduced use of artificial lighting</td>
<td>• Priority to replacing Plexiglas windows</td>
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<td>• Provide views to the occupants</td>
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### Activity 4.2- Noise control

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<td>1. Provide walls in open space schools</td>
<td>• Reduced noise and distractions</td>
<td>• Design review for major projects to verify noisy and quiet activities are separated</td>
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<td>2. Design schools where noisy public spaces are separate from quiet private spaces</td>
<td>• Students can concentrate</td>
<td>• All schools with open space not in capital budget are complete or under construction</td>
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<td>3. Provide voice amplification systems (funding required)</td>
<td>• All students can hear the teacher regardless of their location in the classroom</td>
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<td>1. Reassess temperature guidelines of 68 degrees F in heating season and 78 degrees F in cooling season</td>
<td>• Comfort level more in the normal range of 70 degrees in heating season and 76 degrees in cooling season</td>
<td>• Energy Management System at Ft. Smallwood and chief at school can verify temperatures</td>
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<td>2. Continue providing 85 degrees F temperatures in the summer for custodial staff</td>
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### Activity 4.4- Best practices for healthy use of space

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<td>1. Consult Facilities when additional space is required</td>
<td>• Appropriate resource, office or classroom space</td>
<td>• Use of work orders and requests for relocatable classrooms</td>
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<td>2. Consider ventilation, natural light when seeking additional resource, classroom, or office space</td>
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