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**Ashley,**

***Thank you so much for voicing your concerns and always putting both your scholars and your well-being at the forefront. This morning, Kenney opened the fresh air intake to your classroom, he reported that it was almost completely closed. Let's monitor your readings for the next couple of days now that the intake has been opened. I'll stop by today throughout the day to check in on you and your scholars.***

*Sincerely,*  
**Holly Honeycutt**  
**Associate Director**  
**WV Academy**  
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Thank you.

I have voiced this concern many times, which is why the Co2 and air quality device were put in my classroom.

Thank you and hopefully this will be resolved ASAP!

Mrs. Cooper

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Ashlee,

This is the first time I am seeing this and hearing these concerns. I see you sent it from your gmail account. I think it may have gotten blocked. We will address this Monday morning.

Thank you for following up.

Heidi Treu

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West Virginia Academy Admin & Board,

I am sorry to have follow up on my earlier email, (see below) but this week even more issues have been discovered in my classroom. I have purchased my own Co2 detector, and the readings are very, very high. The one already in my room placed by the school (after I first addressed health concerns weeks ago) shows the same high amounts of Co2, unhealthy amounts that clearly read POOR AIR QUALITY.

This week we received a readings of well over 1400 ppm! I have done research for my students and myself and know these are high and they are especially high for small children who are affected differently than myself. Most afternoons, I look around my room and my students are sitting with their hands on their heads or even falling asleep at their desks. I have been with these children for almost 2 years, as I had most of my class in PreK last year. I know my kids and I know most do not normally demonstrate this kind of behavior or complain of headaches.

Co2 at this level causes drowsiness, and I myself came out Friday, as well as most days, with a terrible headache, which is a symptom of this kind of poor air quality. I have come home almost every evening this year with a headache and a weird exhaustion I've never experienced before. I had an approved WVA volunteer come to my classroom to do a craft Friday. She is a member of the fire department and also teaches fire safety at area schools with the fire Marshall Andy Dotson. She was appalled by the reading on both CO2 machines. She was in the classroom for approximately 1.5 hrs and stated to feel headache symptoms herself. Ms. Ireland's class have also come to my room for activities and her children have complained of headaches, as well as, Ms. Ireland.

I have already explained my health issues and multiple doctor visits (asthma and headaches) with the school but now it's become even more serious to

my kiddo's, and they are my number 1 priority. This has to be addressed, there MUST be some HVAC issues causing the Co2 problems along with the high moisture levels in my classroom and possible mold. These issues NEED to be addressed.

I cannot continue to expose my children to these levels, seeing the readings and their behavior is too much. I urge for your quick action to address this situation appropriately.

I cant express how much I love teaching, love my students, and the WVA vision....but as a teacher and mother, I need to make sure that they are getting the best that I can possibly give them and that WVA is doing the best for them as well.

Thank you,  
Mrs. Ashlee Cooper  
Kindergarten Teacher

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West Virginia Academy Admin,

I have to take a minute and formally present this in writing, as to the issues that are going on in my room.

I have struggled with Asthma my whole life. Since moving to the Kindergarten room, where moisture problems, possible Co2 issues, mold issues etc clearly exist, I have been having terrible health issues.

I have visited the Doctors multiple times and been put on many steroids, multiple Z packs, breathing treatments and even received shots. All to no avail. I have had chest X-rays and visited the pulmonologists. My doctors have stated that these asthmatic issues are clearly resulting from my environment. I am a very healthy individual and now I am taking two different types of asthmatic medications and a steroid inhaler twice daily. Over the last 2 weeks on my break I have recovered with zero symptoms. Symptoms that involve wheezing, fatigue, shortness of breath, the inability to work out,

and coughing to the point where I can't sleep at night, to the extent of coughing so hard it was causing pain.

I have had children in my classroom with similar issues and parents have noticed over the weekends they improve but by mid-week the symptoms return. I brought in my own dehumidifier at the beginning of the year and it needs to be emptied 2 to 3 times a day, Kenny has performed air readings that are clearly reading high, but nothing has been done. As I come back after break, I have to document what this situation is, as my Dr. is certain my issues will return even with the medication. Hopefully they are just not as extreme...because feeling like I'm drowning while trying to teach and breathe is very scary. I love my job and my kids and I am not being over dramatic here, my health can't continue to deteriorate because of the room's poor air quality. I honestly try to not cause waves at all, but this needs to be addressed.

I ask that you please take the issue very seriously for not only my health's sake but the children's as well. This is not a healthy situation that can continue. Something has to be done.

Thank You,  
Mrs. Cooper