




Innovation • Inspiration • Excellence for All

One Larkin Center
Yonkers, New York 10701
Tel. 914 376-8100
Fax 914 376-8584
equezada@yonkerspublicschools.org

Dr. Edwin M. Quezada
Superintendent of Schools

DATE: December 11, 2018

TO: Rev. Steve Lopez, President
and Members of the Board of Education

FROM: Dr. Edwin M. Quezada 

RE: **Request for Emergency Declaration
Gorton High School Steam Leak(s)**

I have approved the attached Request for Emergency Declaration from Executive Director John Carr. On or about November 16, 2018, inspections were made of the southwest corner of the ground floor at Gorton High School in response to reports of water damage appearing in several locations. Preliminary inspections by District staff indicated that it was likely that a steam condensate return line was leaking in one or more locations. It was also discovered that a section of the hallway floor in the vicinity had recently settled by 2 to 3 inches.

Representatives from Fuller and D'Angelo Architects (F&D) and LIRO Engineering were brought in and determined the steam condensate line does have multiple leaks in subterranean pipe chases and possibly others in direct burial piping. Asbestos containing pipe insulations and some possible debris were observed in some of these locations. The cause of the settled floor is still unknown but thought to be related to running condensate water.

This emergency declaration is to provide for the design by the above firms and construction by Mengler Mechanical of a suitable bypass of the effected line, including any requisite asbestos abatement. The floor settlement will be further assessed and corrective actions taken to arrest further deterioration and restore grade and finishing.

Costs are difficult to determine, but at this time, the estimated cost range is from \$250,000 to \$350,000 to stabilize the situation. F&D and LIRO are currently under contract with the District on a requirements basis. Mengler Mechanical has an exemplary history with the District in low bid work and past emergency declarations.

Thank you for your cooperation and consideration of this request.

EMQ:br
Att.

C: Dr. Andrea Coddett, Ms. RoseAnne Collins-Judon, Dr. Fenix Arias, Mr. John Carr, Mr. John Liszewski, Mr. Tom Collich, Mr. Lee Pavone, Mr. John Becker, Ms. Jennifer Hubbard, Ms. Connie DiMaggio

One Larkin Center
Yonkers, New York 10701
Tel. 914 376-8008
jcarr@yonkerspublicschools.org

Dr. Edwin M. Quezada
Superintendent of Schools


Dr. Andrea Coddett
Deputy Superintendent of Schools

John P. Carr, P.E.
Executive Director
School Facilities Management

MEMORANDUM

DATE: December 10, 2018

TO: Edwin M. Quezada

FROM: John P. Carr 

RE: **REQUEST FOR EMERGENCY DECLARATION**
Gorton High School Steam Leak(s)

On or about November 16, 2018 inspections were made of the southwest corner of the ground floor at Gorton High School in response to reports of water damage appearing in several locations. Preliminary inspections by District staff indicated that it was likely that a steam/condensate return line was leaking in one or more locations. It was also discovered that a section of the hallway floor in the vicinity had recently settled by 2 to 3 inches.

Representatives from Fuller and D'Angelo Architects (F&D) and LIRO Engineering were brought in and determined the steam/condensate line does have multiple leaks in subterranean pipe chases and possibly others in direct burial piping. Asbestos containing pipe insulation and some possible debris were observed in some of these locations. The cause of the settled floor is still unknown but thought to be related to running condensate water.

This emergency declaration is to provide for the design by the above firms and construction by Mengler Mechanical of a suitable bypass of the effected line, including any requisite asbestos abatement. The floor settlement will be further assessed and corrective actions taken to arrest further deterioration and restore grade and finishing.

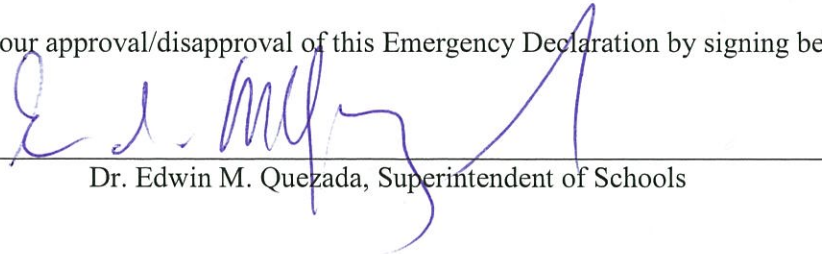
Costs are difficult to determine without a completed survey which requires bulk sampling, testing and abatement of suspect ACBM. At this time the estimated cost range is from \$250,000 to \$350,000 to stabilize the situation.

F&D and LIRO are currently under contract with the District on a requirements basis. Mengler Mechanical has an exemplary history with the District in low bid work and past emergency declarations.

REQUEST FOR EMERGENCY DECLARATION Gorton High School Steam Leak(s)

Please indicate your approval/disapproval of this Emergency Declaration by signing below:

APPROVED:



Dr. Edwin M. Quezada, Superintendent of Schools

DENIED:

Dr. Edwin M. Quezada, Superintendent of Schools

JPC/jc

cc: Dr. A. Coddett, J. Liszewski, T. Collich, L. Pavone, C. Dimaggio, J. Becker