

Assessment Narrative

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2.13.1 **Grand Prairie Elementary School**

2.13.2 GENERAL INFORMATION

Original Construction: 1960
Additions/Renovations: 1970, 1971, 1972, 1975, 1980, 1992, 2004, 2008, 2009
Site Area: undetermined
Floor Area (Permanent): 30,292
Floor Area (Portable/Temporary):
Design Capacity: 455
Current Enrollment: 316
Capacity/Enrollment: 69%
Portables\Temporary: 3 classrooms
Permanent Classrooms: 21.

2.13.3 BUILDING CONSTRUCTION AND ARRANGEMENT

The campus consists of a two-story classroom building, a one-story classroom building, Cafeteria building, free-standing Gymnasium across the street, and numerous temporary buildings. The permanent two-story building appears to be wood frames with slab-on-grade, brick veneer, non-insulated wood windows, and shingle roof. The permanent one-story building envelope appears to consist of slab-on-grade, load bearing masonry walls, structural steel framing, tectum decking, brick veneer, and non-insulated steel windows. The Gymnasium appears to be a typical pre-engineered metal building with CMU exterior walls and slab-on-grade. The temporary buildings are of various ages and construction material, including wood and metal. The buildings are connected with aluminum or wooden walkway covers.

2.13.4 INTERIOR FINISHES

Administrative Offices:

Wood flooring was observed to be in overall good condition. Painted GWB walls with wood wainscot appeared to be in overall good condition. Ceiling appeared to be in overall good condition. Lighting appeared adequate. Interior wood doors, frames, and hardware were in fair condition but aging. Wood bench seating available. Wood desks, shelves, and cabinets appeared adequate and to be in overall fair condition.

Corridors:

Wood flooring was observed to be in overall good condition. GWB walls with wood wainscot appeared to be in overall fair condition. 2x4 acoustical ceilings with lay-in fluorescent fixtures were observed. Ceiling tiles appeared to be in overall fair condition, and the lighting appeared adequate. No lockers were present. Tack boards appeared in overall fair condition.

Restrooms:

Sealed concrete floor was observed and appeared to be in overall poor condition. Painted CMU walls were observed to be in overall fair condition. Plaster ceilings were observed, and appeared to be in poor overall condition. Lighting consisted of surface-mounted incandescent fixtures, and appeared to be inadequate, in poor condition, but adequately supplemented by natural light thru existing windows. Plumbing fixtures appeared to be in fair condition. Toilet partitions were CMU or wood, with wood doors, in fair to poor condition. Ventilation was poor. Toilet room doors were wood with hollow metal frames in fair to poor condition as was door hardware.

Classrooms - 2-story building:

Wood flooring was observed and appeared to be in overall fair condition. GWB walls with wood wainscot were observed to be in overall fair condition. Ceilings were 2 x 4 acoustical ceilings with pendant-mounted fluorescent light fixtures. Ceilings appeared to be in overall fair condition. Lighting appeared adequate. Wood flush doors with wood frames were observed to be in overall fair condition. Marker boards and tack boards appeared to be in overall fair condition. Plastic chairs with steel frames, and laminate table tops with steel frames, were observed to be in overall good condition.

Classrooms, Kindergarten - 1-story building:

VCT flooring was observed and appeared to be in overall good condition. CMU walls were observed to be in overall fair condition. Ceilings were 2 x 4 acoustical ceilings with lay-in fluorescent light fixtures. Ceilings appeared to be in overall poor condition, with numerous stained tiles. Lighting appeared inadequate. Wood flush doors with hollow metal frames were observed to be in overall fair condition. Marker boards and tack boards appeared to be in overall fair condition. Plastic chairs with steel frames, and laminate table tops with wood frames, were observed to be in overall good condition.

Cafeteria and Kitchen:

Floor coating in Cafeteria and Kitchen was observed to be in overall good condition. Painted CMU walls appeared to be in overall good condition. Acoustical ceilings (2 x 4) in Cafeteria, with 2'x4' lay-in fluorescent light fixtures, were observed. Ceiling tiles appeared to be in overall poor condition, with numerous stained tiles. Lighting appeared adequate. Kitchen ceiling was observed to be GWB with surface-mounted strip fluorescent fixtures, and appeared to be overall in fair condition. All food service equipment was observed to be functional and in good condition. Plastic laminate tables and bench seating with steel frames appeared to be in overall good condition.

Library:

VCT flooring was observed and appeared to be in overall fair condition. CMU walls were observed to be in overall fair condition. Ceilings were 2 x 4 acoustical ceilings with lay-in fluorescent light fixtures. Ceilings appeared to be in overall poor condition, with numerous stained tiles. Lighting appeared adequate. Wood flush doors with hollow metal frames were observed to be in overall fair condition. Wood shelving was observed to be in fair condition. Marker boards and tack boards appeared to be in overall fair condition. Plastic chairs with steel frames, and laminate table tops with steel frames, were observed to be in overall good condition.

Computer Lab – one level building:

VCT flooring was observed and appeared to be in overall fair condition. CMU walls were observed to be in overall good condition. Ceilings were 2 x 4 acoustical ceilings with pendant-mounted fluorescent strip light fixtures. Ceilings appeared to be in overall fair condition. Lighting appeared adequate. Wood flush doors with hollow metal frames were observed to be in overall fair condition. Marker boards and tack boards appeared to be in overall fair condition. Plastic chairs with steel frames, and laminate table tops with steel frames, were observed to be in overall good condition.

Gymnasium:

Free-standing pre-engineered metal building. VCT flooring was observed and appeared to be in fair condition. Painted CMU walls appeared to be in good condition. Ceiling was the exposed PEMB structure with high-bay light fixtures. Lighting appeared adequate. Interior hollow metal doors & frames, and associated door hardware, appeared to be in fair condition overall. Gym Equipment consisted of basketball goals and wall pads, and appeared to be in good condition. Telescoping wood bleachers were observed, and appeared to be in overall fair condition.

2.13.5 WATER AND SEWAGE SYSTEMS

The facility is serviced by a public water supply source and public sewage disposal.

2.13.6 HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEMS

Split systems with gas fired heating and condensers mounted on ground for Cafeteria and Gym. All classrooms utilize through-wall units.

2.13.7 ELECTRICAL AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS

Multiple electrical service entrances were observed. Pole mounted electrical transformers were observed. Fluorescent lighting fixtures were observed throughout the facility.

2.13.8 Fire Protection System

The facility is unsprinklered, but is monitored by a fire alarm system. Fire extinguishers and a kitchen hood extinguisher system were observed.

2.13.9 EXTERIOR GROUNDS

The exterior grounds have paved and un-paved parking/driveways in poor condition, without parking lot and security lighting. Concrete paved walkways and walkway covers are present. There is playground equipment present. Overall, landscaping is minimal, but grass and trees are in good condition and plentiful.