



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
CITY OF FRANKLIN

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**  
**March 21, 2019**

**CONTACT:**

Tara Payne  
317.736.3602  
[tpayne@franklin.in.gov](mailto:tpayne@franklin.in.gov)

**Franklin hires EnviroForensics to conduct additional testing near schools**  
*Testing begins Friday, March 22*

**FRANKLIN, IN** – The Franklin Community Schools announced Wednesday, March 20, EnviroForensics, an Indianapolis-based environmental engineering, consulting and remediation design firm, will conduct sub-slab vapor and indoor air sampling at two Franklin schools, Needham Elementary and Webb Elementary. Mayor Barnett supports the actions taken by the school system and encourages additional testing.

The safety of Franklin citizens remains a top priority. As such, Mayor Barnett announced today EnviroForensics will also conduct a focused study of vapors in the sewer backfill and sewer pipe in the city right-of-way west of Eastview Drive and in the vicinity of the schools. The study will evaluate whether gases and vapors present in the sewer manholes and sewer bedding material exhibit elevated levels of volatile organic compounds.

EnviroForensics anticipates completing the sampling during the week of March 25. Results will be released when they are available.

###