

## Phillips Exeter Academy hires EnviroVantage to remediate mold conditions found in the Thompson House

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EnviroVantage has been engaged by Phillips Exeter Academy (PEA) to remediate the mold conditions found in Thompson House. PEA is very aggressive in maintaining their property, ensuring that the students and faculty have a safe environment and the school its valuable assets.

Over the winter Thompson House, a faculty residence, was vacant. Due to the extreme winter conditions, frozen pipes within the building went unnoticed causing severe flooding of the basement and first floor. The wet conditions damaged the hardwood floors, kitchen cabinets, walls and ceilings.

The process of recovering from the damage resulted in the abatement of two layers of asbestos floor tile in the kitchen and laundry room. With warmer weather on its way, mold also became an issue. Phillips Exeter Academy was faced with the choice to demolish the entire hall and build a whole new structure, or to remediate the mold entirely, gut the insides and then rebuild. They chose to maintain the classic façade and confidently selected EnviroVantage to ensure that the hazardous materials would be completely eliminated.

The remediation process includes the following: pumping the basement to remove flood water; demo of all existing ceilings and walls on the first floor; removal of all kitchen cabinets; and removal of all finished flooring material. The building will then be dried completely with a microbial treatment to follow.

Thompson House will be restored completely and up to today's building standards by the end of this month.

EnviroVantage is a regional leader in environmental cleanup and removal of hazardous materials, including lead paint, asbestos, and mold for building projects requiring renovation, demolition, or historic reconstruction.

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