

Perth Amboy Public Schools

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Board Secretary



June 12, 2023

DUAL LANGUAGE SCHOOL 630 Amboy Ave Edison, NJ 08837

Dear Dual Language School Community:

Our school system is committed to protecting student, teacher, and staff health. To protect our community and be in compliance with the Department of Education regulations, the district tested our schools' drinking water for lead.

In accordance with the Department of Education regulations, <u>Dual Language School</u> will implement immediate remedial measures for any drinking water outlet with a result greater than the action level of 15 μ g/l (parts per billion [ppb]). This includes turning off the outlet unless it is determined the location must remain on for non-drinking purposes. In these cases, a "DO NOT DRINK – SAFE FOR HANDWASHING ONLY" sign will be posted.

Testing Results

Following instructions given in technical guidance developed by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, we completed a plumbing profile for each of the buildings within the district. Through this effort, we identified and tested all drinking water and food preparation outlets. Of the $\underline{13}$ samples taken, all but $\underline{1}$ tested below the lead action level established by the US Environmental Protection Agency for lead in drinking water (15 μ g/l [ppb]).

The table below identifies the drinking water outlets that tested above the 15 μ g/l for lead, the actual lead level, and what temporary remedial action the Perth Amboy School District has taken to reduce the levels of lead at these locations.

Sample Location	First Draw Result in	Remedial Action
	μg/l (ppb)	At .
2 OLPG-WC-HALLGL Hall near Gym left water cooler	18.6 New 228	Disconnected outlet. Location mark "Out of Order". Re-Tested in July 2022 test result: 228

Health Effects of Lead

High levels of lead in drinking water can cause health problems. Lead is most dangerous for pregnant women, infants, and children under 6 years of age. It can cause damage to the brain and kidneys and can interfere with the production of red blood cells that carry oxygen to all parts of your body. Exposure to high levels of lead during pregnancy contributes to low birth weight and developmental delays in infants. In young children, lead exposure can lower IQ levels, affect hearing, reduce attention span, and hurt school performance. At *very* high levels, lead can even cause brain damage. Adults with kidney problems and high blood pressure can be affected by low levels of lead more than healthy adults.



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How Lead Enters our Water

Lead is unusual among drinking water contaminants in that it seldom occurs naturally in water supplies like groundwater, rivers and lakes. Lead enters drinking water primarily as a result of the corrosion, or wearing away, of materials containing lead in the water distribution system and in building plumbing. These materials include lead-based solder used to join copper pipe, brass, and chrome-plated brass faucets. In 1986, Congress banned the use of lead solder containing greater than 0.2% lead, and restricted the lead content of faucets, pipes and other plumbing materials. However, even the lead in plumbing materials meeting these new requirements is subject to corrosion. When water stands in lead pipes or plumbing systems containing lead for several hours or more, the lead may dissolve into the drinking water. This means the first water drawn from the tap in the morning *may* contain fairly high levels of lead.

Lead in Drinking Water

Lead in drinking water, although rarely the sole cause of lead poisoning can significantly increase a person's total lead exposure, particularly the exposure of children under the age of 6. EPA estimates that drinking water can make up 20% or more of a person's total exposure to lead.

For More Information

For more information about water quality in our schools, contact Carmen Southward, District Director of Operations, at (732) 376-6200.

For more information on reducing lead exposure around your home and the health effects of lead, visit EPA's Web site at **www.epa.gov/lead**, call the National Lead Information Center at 800-424-LEAD, or contact your health care provider.

If you are concerned about lead exposure at this facility or in your home, you may want to ask your health care providers about testing children to determine levels of lead in their blood.

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The following analytical report covers the analysis performed on samples submitted to EMSL Analytical, Inc. on 1/5/2022. The results are tabulated on the attached data pages for the following client designated project:

21-211 Our Lady of Peace (Gymnasium)

The reference number for these samples is EMSL Order #012200591. Please use this reference when calling about these samples. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (856) 303-2500.

Approved By:

1/19/2022

Phillip Worby, Environmental Chemistry Laboratory Director



The test results contained within this report meet the requirements of NELAP and/or the specific certification program that is applicable, unless otherwise noted.

NELAP Certifications: NJ 03036, NY 10872, PA 68-00367, CA ELAP 1877

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Client Sample Description

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Received:

1/5/2022 01:45 PM

1253 North Church Street Moorestown, NJ 08057

TTI Environmental Inc.

Project: 21-211 Our Lady of Peace (Gymnasium)

Analytical Results

012200591-0001 Lab ID: 1 OLPG-WC-HALLGR Collected: 1/5/2022

10:30:00 AM

Analysis Prep Date & Analyst Parameter **RL Units** Date & Analyst Result Method

METALS

1.00 µg/L 1/17/2022 KB 1/18/2022 KB 3.16 200.8 Lead 02:26

Lab ID:

2 OLPG-WC-HALLGL Collected: 1/5/2022 Client Sample Description

10:30:00 AM

Analysis Prep Date & Analyst Date & Analyst **RL Units** Parameter Result Method

METALS

KB 1/18/2022 KB 18.6 1.00 µg/L 1/17/2022 200.8 Lead 02:27

1/5/2022 Lab ID: 012200591-0003 5 OLPG-WC-HALLBL Collected: Client Sample Description

10:31:00 AM

Prep Analysis Date & Analyst Date & Analyst Parameter Result **RL Units** Method

METALS

Client Sample Description

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ChemSmplw/RDL/NELAC-2.19.0.0 Printed: 1/19/2022 3:26:31 PM

1/17/2022 KB 1/18/2022 KB 1.28 1.00 µg/L 200.8 Lead 02:29

1/5/2022 Lab ID: 012200591-0004 6 OLPG-WC-HALLBL Collected: Client Sample Description

10:31:00 AM

Prep Analysis **RL Units** Date & Analyst Date & Analyst Parameter Result Method

METALS KB 1/18/2022 KB 1.00 µg/L 1/17/2022 2.25 200.8 Lead 02:30 Lab ID: Collected: 1/5/2022 012200591-0005

Analysis Prep Date & Analyst Date & Analyst Parameter Result **RL Units** Method

METALS 1/18/2022 1.00 µg/L 1/17/2022 KB KB 200.8 Lead



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21-211/Our Lady of Peace (School)

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Project: 21-211/Our Lady of Peace (School)

Analytical Results

Result

Result

Client Sample Description 2 OLP-DW-CUSTR

Collected:

1/5/2022 10:07:00 AM Lab ID:

012200559-0001

Outside Office (Right)

RL Units

Prep Date & Analyst

Analysis Date & Analyst

METALS

Method

200.8 Lead

1.82

1.00 µg/L

1/14/2022

KB 1/14/2022

KB

Client Sample Description

3 OLP-WC-105

Parameter

23:44

Hall at Room 105

Collected:

1/5/2022 10:06:00 AM Lab ID:

Prep

Date & Analyst

012200559-0002

Analysis

Method

METALS

Lead

Parameter

Parameter

ND

1.00 µg/L

RL Units

1/14/2022

1/14/2022

Date & Analyst

KB

KB

KB

200.8

4 OLP-WC-2FL

Collected:

1/5/2022

23:46

KB

Client Sample Description

Lab ID:

012200559-0003

2nd Floor at Girl's Bathroom

10:17:00 AM

Method

METALS 200.8 Lead Result

ND

RL Units

1.00 µg/L

Prep Date & Analyst

Analysis Date & Analyst

Nurse Office

1/14/2022 KB

1/14/2022

23:47

Client Sample Description

5 OLP-SF-NURSEO

Collected:

1/5/2022

Lab ID:

012200559-0004

10:18:00 AM

Result

RL Units

Prep Date & Analyst

Analysis Date & Analyst

METALS

Method

200.8 Lead

Client Sample Description

Parameter

3.19

1.00 µg/L

1/14/2022

8 OLP-SF-K2

Collected:

1/5/2022

10:09:00 AM

23:49 012200559-0005

1/14/2022

Kitchen Double Tub

Prep

Lab ID:

Analysis

Method

200.8

Result

RL Units

Date & Analyst

Date & Analyst

METALS

Lead

Parameter

1.00 µg/L

1/14/2022

KB

KB

1/14/2022 KB 23:50

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Project: 21-211/Our Lady of Peace (School)

Analytical Results

Collected: 1/5/2022 012200559-0006 Client Sample Description 9 OLP-WC-CAFE Lab ID: 10:11:00 AM Café near Kitchen Prep Analysis Date & Analyst **RL Units** Date & Analyst Parameter Result Method **METALS** 1.00 μg/L 1/14/2022 KB 1/14/2022 KB ND 200.8 Lead 23:52 012200559-0007 11 OLP-SF-NURSE 2 Collected: 1/5/2022 Lab ID: Client Sample Description Nurse Exam Room 10:20:00 AM Analysis Prep Date & Analyst **RL Units** Date & Analyst Method Parameter Result **METALS** KB 6.32 1.00 µg/L 1/14/2022 KB 1/14/2022 200.8 Lead 23:53 12 Field Blank 1/5/2022 Lab ID: 012200559-0008 Client Sample Description Collected: Blank Prep Analysis **RL Units** Date & Analyst Date & Analyst Parameter Result Method **METALS**

ND

1.00 µg/L

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200.8

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