

## THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA

Operations Division
Office of Environmental Management & Services
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Dear Longstreth Elementary School Family,

To guarantee that students have access to safe drinking water at school, from 2000 to 2010, The School District of Philadelphia (District) conducted a water testing program at schools throughout the District. Nearly 30,000 drinking water outlets were tested and all tested outlets that remain in service produced results that were below the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) action level for lead in water of 20 parts per billion (ppb) and were safe for drinking.

In response to recent public health concerns about lead in water nationally, the District began retesting drinking outlets in your child's school. Our mission remains to ensure the health and safety of all students and staff and because of this we have instituted a stronger water safety threshold of 10 ppb, which is below the national EPA measurement of 20 ppb.

At your school, 24 of the water outlets passed this stronger water safety threshold and the water is safe to drink. Seven water outlets were found to have results above our stronger water safety threshold and were immediately shut off. We are currently developing an action plan to repair or permanently remove them. In addition, at your school and others, we have installed hydration stations which we hope that you are using. By the end of this year, all District schools will have hydration stations.

Federal studies indicate that children under the age of six are at the highest risk for harmful lead exposure, and children can be exposed to lead from a variety of sources, including paint, soil and even some consumer products. If you are concerned about your child's possible lead exposure risks, the Philadelphia Department of Public Health (PDPH) recommends contacting your pediatrician or neighborhood Health Center for testing.

Additionally, PDPH's lead hotline can address any health related questions you may have or help you in deciding whether to have your child tested; for questions or more information, please call (215) 685-2788. For additional information about lead and children you can visit <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/lead">www.cdc.gov/lead</a>.

If you wish to view the detailed results from your school you may visit the District's website at <a href="https://www.philasd.org/waterresults">www.philasd.org/waterresults</a> to learn more.

This re-testing is one part of the District's Drinking Water Program, also available on our website. A key focus is to provide students with healthy hydration – safe, accessible and appealing drinking water in every school.

Sincerely,

Francine Locke, MS Environmental Director

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School Name: Longstreth Elementary School

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Outlet ID #	Outlet Location	Sample Collection Date	Test Result (ppb)	
1350-03-DW-013	Room 308 classroom	3/21/2017	4.7	BA
1350-03-DW-015	Room 306 classroom	3/21/2017	13.2	AA
1350-03-DW-017	Room 304 classroom	3/21/2017	7.8	BA
1350-03-DW-019	Room 302 classroom	3/21/2017	3.3	BA
1350-03-DW-021	Room 301 classroom	3/21/2017	6.8	BA
1350-03-DW-023	Room 303 classroom	3/21/2017	1.7	BA
1350-03-DW-025	Room 305 classroom	3/21/2017	15.5	AA
1350-03-DW-044	Outside Boy's Room - near Room 311	3/21/2017	0.12	BA
1350-03-HS-045	Outside Boy's Room - near Room 324	3/21/2017	0.41	BA
1350-02-WC-046	Outside Room 211	3/21/2017	0.19	BA
1350-02-DW-054	Room 207 classroom	3/21/2017	45.5	AA
1350-02-DW-060	Room 201 classroom	3/21/2017	4.8	BA
1350-02-DW-071	Room 210 classroom	3/21/2017	3.2	BA
1350-02-HS-074	Outside Room 224	3/21/2017	0.13	BA
1350-01-DW-083	Gymnasium	3/21/2017	2.6	BA
1350-01-CF-086	Room 110D - Nurse's Suite	3/21/2017	4.6	BA
1350-01-CF-088	Room 110C - Nurse's Office	3/21/2017	16.4	AA
1350-01-DW-089	Nurse's Office - Room 110C	3/21/2017	25.7	AA
1350-01-DW-098	Room 106 - Storage	3/21/2017	295	AA
1350-01-DW-100	Room 104	3/21/2017	34.1	AA
1350-01-KC-101	Room 100D - Teacher's Lounge	3/21/2017	4.7	BA
1350-01-WC-102	Teacher's Lounge - Room 100D	3/21/2017	1.2	BA
1350-01-HS-105	Across from the Main Office	3/21/2017	0.074	BA
1350-01-WC-106	Across from Room 103	3/21/2017	1.1	BA
1350-01-WC-113	Room 107 - Kindergarten	3/21/2017	4.5	BA
1350-01-WC-116	Room 109 - Kindergarten	3/21/2017	0.84	BA
1350-01-WC-119	Room 111 - Kindergarten Room	3/21/2017	1.6	BA
1350-01-WC-122	Room 113 - Kindergarten Room	3/21/2017	4.1	BA
1350-01-WC-123	Cafeteria - adjacent to Room 100C	3/21/2017	0.92	BA
1350-01-KC-125	Cafeteria Kitchen - Room 100E - used by pre-k and head-start - left	3/21/2017	2.2	BA
1350-01-KC-126	Cafeteria Kitchen - Room 100E - used by pre-k and head-start - right	3/21/2017	1.9	BA

DISTRICT ACTION LEVEL FOR LEAD IS 10 ppb\*

SPREADSHEET LEGEND

BA - Below District Action Level of 10 ppb AA - Above District Action Level of 10 ppb

<sup>\*</sup>EPA ACTION LEVEL FOR LEAD IS 20 ppb