

THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA

Operations Division
Office of Environmental Management & Services
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Dear Penrose 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, all of the water outlets passed this stronger water safety threshold and the water is safe to drink. 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 www.cdc.gov/lead.

If you wish to view the detailed results from your school you may visit the District's website at www.philasd.org/waterresults 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

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Environmental Director

School Name: Penrose Elementary School and Little School House

Outlet ID #	Outlet Location	Sample Collection Date	Test Result (ppb)	Test Results
1440-02-WC-004	Across from Room 203	3/2/2017	0.44	BA
1440-02-CF-006	Teachers Lounge - Room 206	3/2/2017	4.7	BA
1440-02-WC-007	Teachers Lounge - Room 206	3/2/2017	3.3	BA
1440-02-HS-017	Across from Room 213	3/2/2017	0.054	BA
1440-01-CF-019	Room 112B - Health Room	3/2/2017	3.3	BA
1440-01-HS-021	Across from Room 113	3/2/2017	0.054	BA
1440-01-CF-027	Room 107 - Special Education	3/2/2017	0.46	BA
1440-01-WC-034	Across from Room 105	3/2/2017	0.23	BA
1440-01-CF-041N	Room 111 - Special Education	3/2/2017	0.69	BA
1440-01-WC-042N	Gym - Main Side - Left	3/2/2017	2.0	BA
1440-01-HS-043N	Gym - Main Side - Right	3/2/2017	0.054	BA
1440-01-WC-044N	Gym - Rose Side - Left	3/2/2017	0.40	BA
1440-01-HS-045N	Gym - Rose Side - Right	3/2/2017	0.054	BA
	Little School House	3/2/2017		
1440-01-DW-046N	Room 4 - Special Education	3/2/2017	0.54	BA
1440-01-DW-048N	Room 2 - 1st Grade	3/2/2017	5.8	BA
1440-01-WC-050N	Across From Multi-Purpose Room - Right	3/2/2017	0.083	BA
1440-01-HS-051N	Across From Multi-Purpose Room - Left	3/2/2017	0.054	BA
1440-01-DW-053N	Room 8 - Kindergarten	3/2/2017	0.88	BA
1440-01-DW-054N	Room 11 - Kindergarten	3/2/2017	1.2	BA
1440-01-DW-055N	Room 10 - Special Education	3/2/2017	1.2	BA
1440-00-WC-056N	Basement Hall Outside Room B-14 Storage	3/2/2017	1.8	BA
1440-01-WC-057N	Outside G116 - Custodial Closet - Left	3/2/2017	0.11	BA
1440-01-WC-058N	Outside G116 - Custodial Closet - Right	3/2/2017	0.12	BA
1440-01-KC-059N	Kitchen G102 - Island Sink	3/2/2017	0.61	BA
1440-01-HS-060N	Outside Room 102	3/2/2017	0.054	BA
1440-01-CF-061N	Teacher's Lounge	3/2/2017	2.7	BA
1440-02-HS-062N	Outside Room 203	3/2/2017	0.054	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

*EPA ACTION LEVEL FOR LEAD IS 20 ppb