



THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA  
Operations Division  
Office of Environmental Management & Services  
440 North Broad Street  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19130  
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June 6, 2017

Dear South Philadelphia High 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, 49 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.

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Sincerely,

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Outlet ID #	Outlet Location	Sample Collection Date	Test Result (ppb)	Test Results
2000-00-DW-004	Outside Boiler Room - Left	5/19/2017	3.1	BA
2000-00-DW-005	Outside Boiler Room - Right	5/19/2017	5.5	BA
2000-00-DW-010	Outside Girls' Bathroom - Left	12/28/2016	14.3	AA
2000-00-DW-011	Outside Girls' Bathroom - Right	12/28/2016	12.1	AA
2000-00-DW-017	Outside Boys' Bathroom	12/28/2016	65.6	AA
2000-00-KC-025	Serving Line - Next to Handwash Sink (Broad St. Side)	5/19/2017	0.99	BA
2000-00-KC-028	Kitchen - Back - South Wall	5/19/2017	2.0	BA
2000-00-KC-030	Kitchen - Double Sink - Left	5/19/2017	0.36	BA
2000-00-KC-032	Kitchen - Double Sink - Right	5/19/2017	0.23	BA
2000-00-WC-035	Outside Serving Area (Facing Broad St.)	5/19/2017	1.5	BA
2000-00-KC-036	Room 40	5/19/2017	3.5	BA
2000-01-CF-045	Room 115D - Nurse's Area	5/19/2017	4.5	BA
2000-01-CF-049	Nurses' Lounge	5/19/2017	1.6	BA
2000-01-DW-052	Outside Auditorium - Left	12/28/2016	5.5	BA
2000-01-DW-053	Outside Auditorium - Right	5/19/2017	3.5	BA
2000-01-DW-057	Outside Room 105A - Boys' Bathroom - Right	5/19/2017	3.2	BA
2000-01-HS-060	Outside Girls' Bathroom	5/19/2017	0.054	BA
2000-01-DW-066	Outside Boys' Remedial Gym (North End) - Left	12/28/2016	3.8	BA
2000-01-DW-067	Outside Boys' Remedial Gym (North End) - Right	12/28/2016	2.8	BA
2000-01-DW-069	Boys' Side of Gym - Broad St. Side	12/28/2016	1.5	BA
2000-01-DW-070	Girls' Side of Gym - Hallway Side - Left	5/19/2017	1.3	BA
2000-01-DW-071	Girls' Side of Gym - Broad St. Side - Right	5/19/2017	0.84	BA
2000-02-HS-079	Outside Boys' Bathroom	5/19/2017	0.054	BA
2000-02-DW-084	Outside Room 214B	5/19/2017	4.8	BA
2000-02-DW-090	Outside Room 208 - Girls' Bathroom - Left	12/28/2016	4.0	BA
2000-02-DW-091	Outside Room 208 - Girls' Bathroom - Right	5/19/2017	3.6	BA
2000-02-DW-092	Outside Room 202 - Head Start	12/28/2016	6.8	BA
2000-02-KC-093	Room 201 - Kitchen Area In Back of Child Care Room - Head Start	5/19/2017	0.65	BA
2000-02-CF-094	Room 202 - Hallway Side - Head Start	5/19/2017	2.6	BA
2000-03-DW-097	Outside Room 305 - Girls' Bathroom - Left	5/19/2017	4.2	BA
2000-03-DW-098	Outside Room 305 - Girls' Bathroom - Right	12/28/2016	4.4	BA
2000-03-DW-110	Outside Room 309 - Boys' Bathroom - Left	5/19/2017	10.3	AA
2000-03-DW-111	Outside Room 309 - Boys' Bathroom - Right	5/19/2017	7.2	BA
2000-03-DW-112	Outside Room 315 - Left	5/19/2017	2.6	BA
2000-03-KC-114	Room 315 - Dining Area	5/19/2017	2.3	BA
2000-03-KC-115	Room 315A - Island Prep Sink (In Front of Stove)	5/19/2017	1.2	BA
2000-03-KC-118	Next to Refrigerator - Triple Basin	5/19/2017	2.4	BA
2000-03-KC-120	Room 315A - Sink Along Exterior Wall - Double Basin	5/19/2017	2.3	BA
2000-04-DW-125	Outside Room 426 - Right	5/19/2017	3.4	BA
2000-04-HS-130	Outside Boys' Bathroom & Stairwell 5	5/19/2017	0.074	BA
2000-04-DW-133	Outside Room 415	5/19/2017	7.4	BA
2000-04-DW-138	Outside Room 409 - Girls' Bathroom - Left	12/28/2016	12.6	AA
2000-04-DW-139	Outside Room 409 - Girls' Bathroom - Right	5/19/2017	4.2	BA
2000-05-DW-143	Outside Room 501 - Left	5/19/2017	2.5	BA
2000-05-DW-144	Outside Room 501 - Right	12/28/2016	2.7	BA
2000-05-DW-145	Outside Room 509 - Girls' Bathroom - Left	5/19/2017	5.1	BA
2000-05-DW-146	Outside Room 509 - Girls' Bathroom - Right	12/28/2016	5.7	BA
2000-05-DW-153	Outside Room 515	5/19/2017	36.0	AA
2000-05-DW-154	Outside Room 524 - Left	5/19/2017	5.9	BA
2000-05-DW-155	Outside Room 524 - Right	5/19/2017	4.7	BA
2000-05-DW-160	Outside Room 530 - Left	5/19/2017	2.2	BA
2000-01-DW-180	Outside General Office	12/28/2016	19.9	AA
2000-01-DW-193	Room 114 - Gym	5/19/2017	2.7	BA
2000-00-IM-235	Kitchen - In Front of Office	5/19/2017	0.85	BA
2000-01-CF-239	Nurse's Exam Room - Room 114A	5/19/2017	4.1	BA
2000-01-CF-242	Nurse's Exam Room - Room 115B	5/19/2017	9.0	BA

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2009-01-DW-005	Soccer Locker Room - Northeast	12/23/2016	19.5	AA
2009-01-DW-007	Soccer Locker Room - Southeast	12/23/2016	76.0	AA
2009-01-DW-008	Soccer Locker Room - Southwest	12/23/2016	83.9	AA
2009-01-DW-016	S Phila. HS Locker Room - Northwest	5/19/2017	18.9	AA
2009-01-DW-017	BOK HS Locker Room - Northeast	5/19/2017	10.3	AA

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