

THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA

Operations Division
Office of Environmental Management & Services
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Dear George W. Childs 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, we have begun installing hydration stations in schools across the District. So far we have installed these stations in over 90 schools and by the end of the year we will have hydration stations in every District school.

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 Environmental Director

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School Name: Childs Elementary School

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| Outlet ID # | Outlet Location | Sample Collection Date | Test Result (ppb) | |
| 2110-00-CF-002 | Room 1 - Head Start | 12/13/2016 | 3.9 | BA |
| 2110-00-DW-005 | Room 013 - Upper Locker Room - grey gym | 12/13/2016 | 0.054 | BA |
| 2100-00-WC-007 | Outside Room 1 | 12/13/2016 | 0.054 | BA |
| 2100-00-CF-008 | Room 2 - Head Start | 12/13/2016 | 0.054 | BA |
| 2110-00-WC-014 | Outside Boy's Room in Gymnasium - maroon gym - west side | 12/13/2016 | 0.054 | BA |
| 2110-00-WC-016 | Outside Room 8 | 12/13/2016 | 0.054 | BA |
| 2110-01-WC-053 | Around the corner from the Boy's Room | 12/13/2016 | 0.054 | BA |
| 2110-01-CF-054 | Room 119 - Nurse's Office - outside of the bathroom | 12/13/2016 | 0.054 | BA |
| 2110-01-CF-055 | Room 119 - Nurse's Office - exam room | 12/13/2016 | 0.054 | BA |
| 2110-01-WC-056 | Outside Room 101 | 12/13/2016 | 0.054 | BA |
| 2110-02-WC-061 | Outside Room 201 | 12/13/2016 | 0.054 | BA |
| 2110-02-WC-062 | Outside Room 224A - around the corner | 12/13/2016 | 0.054 | BA |
| 2110-02-HS-065 | Outside Room 215 | 12/13/2016 | 0.054 | BA |
| 2110-03-WC-071 | Outside Room 311 | 12/13/2016 | 0.054 | BA |
| 2110-03-WC-075 | Outside Room 315A (Boy's Room) | 12/13/2016 | 0.054 | BA |
| 2110-03-KC-080 | Kitchen Sink | 12/13/2016 | 0.054 | BA |
| 2110-03-DW-086 | Outside Room 301 and Fire Tower | 12/13/2016 | 0.054 | BA |
| 2110-03-CF-087 | Room 301A - teacher's lounge | 12/13/2016 | 0.054 | BA |
| 2110-04-CF-089 | Room 401A - teacher's lounge | 12/13/2016 | 0.054 | BA |
| 2110-04-WC-097 | Outside Room 407 | 12/13/2016 | 0.054 | BA |
| 2110-04-WC-100 | Outside Room 412 and Fire Tower | 12/13/2016 | 0.054 | BA |
| 2110-00-HS-103 | Outside Room 4 | 12/13/2016 | 0.054 | BA |
| 2110-00-DW-104 | In maroon gym - upper locker room | 12/13/2016 | 0.054 | BA |
| 2110-00-DW-105 | In grey gym - lower locker room | 12/13/2016 | 0.054 | BA |
| 2110-03-IM-112 | Ice maker in kitchen | 12/13/2016 | 0.54 | BA |
| 2110-04-WC-115 | Outside northwest stairwell and elevator; near Room 404 | 12/13/2016 | 0.054 | BA |
| 2110-02-CF-135N | Room 222 - Special Education Room | 12/13/2016 | 0.054 | BA |
| 2110-01-HS-136N | Outside of Principal's Office | 12/13/2016 | 0.054 | BA |
| 2110-03-CF-137N | Room 314 - Special Education Room | 12/13/2016 | 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