

## THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA

Operations Division
Office of Environmental Management & Services
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May 8, 2017

Dear Carver Engineering & Science 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, 31 of the water outlets passed this stronger water safety threshold and the water is safe to drink. Three 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 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: Carver Engineering & Science School

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Outlet ID #	Outlet Location	Sample Collection Date	Test Result (ppb)	Test Results
4030-01-HS-088N	Outside Room 116	4/21/2017	0.054	BA
4030-01-WC-089N	Across from Room 123 - Left	4/21/2017	0.22	BA
4030-01-WC-090N	Across from Room 123 - Right	4/21/2017	0.24	BA
4030-01-HS-091N	Across from Room 131 - Electrical Closet	4/21/2017	0.054	BA
4030-01-WC-092N	Outside Gym - Left	4/21/2017	0.13	BA
4030-01-WC-093N	Outside Gym - Right	4/21/2017	0.13	BA
4030-01-WC-094N	Cafeteria - Left	4/21/2017	0.27	BA
4030-01-WC-095N	Cafeteria - Right	4/21/2017	0.27	BA
4030-01-KC-096N	Kitchen - Left Wall - Left	4/21/2017	0.17	BA
4030-01-KC-097N	Kitchen - Left Wall - Right	4/21/2017	1.7	BA
4030-01-KC-098N	Kitchen - Rear Wall	4/21/2017	3.0	BA
4030-01-KC-099N	Kitchen - Right Wall	4/21/2017	5.2	BA
4030-01-IM-100N	Room 139 - Workout Room	4/21/2017	0.28	BA
4030-01-KC-101N	Room 139 - Workout Room	4/21/2017	1.3	BA
4030-01-WC-102N	Boys' Locker Room - Left	4/21/2017	0.22	BA
4030-01-WC-103N	Boys' Locker Room - Right	4/21/2017	0.23	BA
4030-01-WC-104N	Girls' Locker Room - Left	4/21/2017	0.46	BA
4030-01-WC-105N	Girls' Locker Room - Right	4/21/2017	0.46	BA
4030-01-CF-106N	Room 126G - Nurse's Office Exam Room	4/21/2017	47.0	AA
4030-01-CF-107N	Room 126F - Nurse's Office Exam Room	4/21/2017	14.2	AA
4030-01-CF-108N	Room 126E - Nurse's Office Exam Room	4/21/2017	1.1	BA
4030-01-CF-109N	Room 126D - Nurse's Office Exam Room	4/21/2017	17.0	AA
4030-01-BF-110N	Room 126C - Nurse's Office Bathroom	4/21/2017	1.2	BA
4030-01-BF-111N	Room 126B - Nurse's Office Bathroom	4/21/2017	1.2	BA
4030-01-KC-112N	Room 136D - Office Workroom	4/21/2017	5.4	BA
4030-01-KC-113N	Copy Room Near Cafeteria - Room 103	4/21/2017	0.86	BA
4030-01-KC-114N	Teacher's Lounge - Room 103A	4/21/2017	1.0	BA
4030-02-WC-115N	Across from Room 221 - Left	4/21/2017	0.16	BA
4030-02-WC-116N	Across from Room 221 - Right	4/21/2017	0.18	BA
4030-02-HS-117N	Outside Room 229	4/21/2017	0.054	BA
4030-02-WC-118N	Outside Room 204 - Left	4/21/2017	0.37	BA
4030-03-HS-122N	Across from Room 320	4/21/2017	0.054	BA
4030-03-WC-123N	Outside Room 327 - Left	4/21/2017	0.13	BA
4030-03-WC-124N	Outside Room 327 - Right	4/21/2017	0.15	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