



THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA
Operations Division
Office of Environmental Management & Services
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Dear Dobbins 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, 22 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 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

School Name: **Dobbins High School**

Outlet ID #	Outlet Location	Sample Collection Date	Test Result (ppb)	Test Results
4060-00-WC-018	Near Boys' Locker Room Bathrooms	4/26/2017	0.53	BA
4060-01-HS-030	Outside Boys' Bathroom - Left	12/29/2016	0.054	BA
4060-01-DW-034	Outside Boys' Bathroom - Right	12/29/2016	18.9	AA
4060-01-WC-041	Weight Room	4/26/2017	5.2	BA
4060-01-CF-061	Nurse's Office	4/26/2017	2.9	BA
4060-02-DW-100	Outside Room 217 - Left	12/29/2016	4.3	BA
4060-03-DW-104	Outside Boy's Bathroom - Right	12/29/2016	9.1	BA
4060-03-KC-116	Bakery 3-Basin Sink - Left	4/26/2017	30.3	AA
4060-03-KC-118	Bakery 3-Basin Sink - Right	4/26/2017	13.2	AA
4060-03-KC-141	Double Sink Along Outside Wall - Left	4/26/2017	0.71	BA
4060-03-KC-143	Double Sink Along Outside Wall - Right	4/26/2017	2.1	BA
4060-03-KC-145	Sink at End of Steam Table	4/26/2017	68.1	AA
4060-03-IM-146	Kitchen	4/26/2017	2.3	BA
4060-03-DW-151	Outside Room 303 - left	4/26/2017	8.2	BA
4060-03-DW-152	Outside Room 303 - right	4/26/2017	11.8	AA
4060-04-DW-156	Outside Room 403 - Right	4/26/2017	4.7	BA
4060-04-DW-162	Outside Girls' Bathroom - Right	4/26/2017	45.8	AA
4060-04-DW-179	Outside Boys' Bathroom - Left	12/29/2016	6.5	BA
4060-05-DW-200	Outside Room 517	12/29/2016	4.5	BA
4060-05-HS-211	Outside Girls' Bathroom	4/26/2017	0.054	BA
4060-06-IM-260	Kitchen	4/26/2017	0.96	BA
4060-06-KC-262	Double Sink Against Office & Storage - Left	4/26/2017	1.6	BA
4060-06-KC-264	Double Sink Against Office & Storage - Right	4/26/2017	1.3	BA
4060-06-KC-266	Double Sink Against Interior Side of Wall - Left	4/26/2017	0.61	BA
4060-06-KC-268	Double Sink Against Interior Side of Wall - Right	4/26/2017	0.48	BA
4060-06-KC-272	Double Sink Against Outer Side of Wall - Right	4/26/2017	6.2	BA
4060-00-DW-288	Outside Girls' Locker Room - Left	4/26/2017	44.2	AA
4060-03-DW-294	Outside Room 318 - Left	12/29/2016	6.4	BA
4060-03-KC-454N	Kitchen - 3 basin sink along wall adjacent to Rm 305	4/26/2017	1.7	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