

## THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA

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Office of Environmental Management & Services
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Dear Mastbaum 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, 33 of the water outlets passed this stronger water safety threshold and the water is safe to drink. Six 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 <a href="https://www.philasd.org/waterresults">www.philasd.org/waterresults</a> 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: Mastbaum High School

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Outlet ID #	Outlet Location	Sample Collection Date	Test Result (ppb)	Test Results
5060-01-DW-024	Hallway - Outside Shops - Left	5/9/2017	2.9	BA
5060-02-WC-043	Outside Main Office	5/9/2017	1.1	BA
5060-02-HS-045	Outside Room 206 - Right	5/9/2017	0.82	BA
5060-02-CF-055	Nurse Area - Right Office	5/9/2017	9.3	BA
5060-03-DW-084	Outside Mens' Bathroom - Next to Room 323 - Drafting	5/9/2017	14.6	AA
5060-03-DW-104	Outside Room 307 - Left	5/9/2017	2.3	BA
5060-03-DW-105	Outside Room 307 - Right	5/9/2017	1.5	BA
5060-05-IM-141	Hallway Outside Kitchen	5/9/2017	0.29	BA
5060-05-KC-143	Large Double Sink Outside Kitchen - Left	5/9/2017	1.9	BA
5060-05-KC-145	Large Double Sink Outside Kitchen - Right	5/9/2017	5.4	BA
5060-05-KC-147	Large Triple Sink In Back of Kitchen - Left	5/9/2017	2.8	BA
5060-05-KC-149	Large Triple Sink In Back of Kitchen - Center	5/9/2017	3.4	BA
5060-05-KC-151	Large Triple Sink In Back of Kitchen - Right	5/9/2017	3.2	BA
5060-05-DW-155	Cafeteria - Next To Token/Ticket Booth - Left - South	5/9/2017	0.67	BA
5060-05-HS-156	Cafeteria - Next To Token/Ticket Booth - Right - South	5/9/2017	0.054	BA
5060-05-DW-161	Cafeteria - Across From Frankford Gym - Left - North	5/9/2017	2.9	BA
5060-05-DW-162	Cafeteria - Across From Frankford Gym - Right - North	5/9/2017	3.4	BA
5060-06-DW-174	Outside Room 608 - left	5/9/2017	1.7	BA
5060-06-DW -175	Outside Room 608 - right	5/9/2017	2.8	BA
5060-06-DW-180	Across From Room 612 - Left	5/9/2017	0.70	BA
5060-06-DW-181	Across From Room 612 - Right	5/9/2017	2.1	BA
5060-01-DW-217	In Hallway Perpendicular to Gym - Left	5/9/2017	0.31	BA
5060-04-KC-219	Teachers' Lounge	5/9/2017	26.1	AA
5060-04-DW-222	Outside Room 409 - Left	5/9/2017	31.6	AA
5060-04-DW-223	Outside Room 409 - Right	5/9/2017	14.5	AA
5060-05-KC-233	Room 507 - Kitchen Double Sink - Left	5/9/2017	73.8	AA
5060-05-KC-235	Room 507 - Kitchen Double Sink - Right	5/9/2017	4.9	BA
5060-01-DW-258	In Hallway Perpendicular to Gym - Right	5/9/2017	0.76	BA
5060-05-DW-259N	Outside Girls' Bathroom - Near Kitchen - Left	5/9/2017	10.4	AA
5060-05-DW-260N	Outside Girls' Bathroom - Near Kitchen - Right	5/9/2017	1.2	BA
5060-04-DW-263N	Outside Boys'/Girls'/Faculty Bathrooms - Left	5/9/2017	0.70	BA
5060-04-DW-264N	Outside Boys'/Girls'/Faculty Bathrooms - Right	5/9/2017	0.52	BA
5060-03-DW-266N	Outside Boys'/Girls'/Faculty Bathrooms - Left	5/9/2017	0.33	BA
5060-03-DW-267N	Outside Boys'/Girls'/Faculty Bathrooms - Right	5/9/2017	0.58	BA
5060-01-DW-270	Hallway - Outside Shops - Right	5/9/2017	2.9	BA
5060-02-DW-333N	Outside Room 211 - Left	5/9/2017	0.42	BA
5060-02-DW-334N	Outside Room 211 - Right	5/9/2017	0.42	BA
5060-01-HS-335N	Next to Room 103	5/9/2017	0.074	BA
5060-02-DW-337N	Hallway Outside Bathrooms - Right	5/9/2017	1.5	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