



THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA  
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Dear Philadelphia High School for Girls 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. Fifteen 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](http://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](http://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: Philadelphia High School for Girls

Outlet ID #	Outlet Location	Sample Collection Date	Test Result (ppb)	Test Results
6050-SB-DW-002	Girls' Locker Room - Locker Side - Left	5/3/2017	83.1	AA
6050-SB-DW-003	Girls' Locker Room - Locker Side - Right	5/3/2017	206	AA
6050-SB-DW-006	Gym - Right (going in 024L)	5/3/2017	5.8	BA
6050-SB-DW-007	Gym - Left (going in 025L)	5/3/2017	1.1	BA
6050-00-DW-008	Outside Room G15 - Left (Flush Sample)	12/28/2016	42.0	AA
6050-00-DW-010	Cafeteria - Across From Room G16C	5/3/2017	1.8	BA
6050-00-KC-016	Serving Line - Left Side Facing Kitchen	5/3/2017	13.4	AA
6050-00-KC-018	Serving Line - Right Side Facing Kitchen	5/3/2017	1.6	BA
6050-00-KC-020	Kitchen - Cafeteria Wall	5/3/2017	1.7	BA
6050-00-KC-022	Kitchen - Prep Table - Cafeteria Side	5/3/2017	13.0	AA
6050-00-KC-024	Kitchen - Alcove Near Office	5/3/2017	1.7	BA
6050-00-KC-026	Kitchen - Prep Table Near Office	5/3/2017	0.71	BA
6050-00-KC-028	Kitchen - Back Wall - Left	5/3/2017	9.5	BA
6050-00-KC-030	Kitchen - Back Wall - Right	5/3/2017	2.3	BA
6050-00-KC-032	Kitchen - Prep Table Near Stove	5/3/2017	0.42	BA
6050-00-KC-034	Kitchen - G16 Side - Opposite Office - Left	5/3/2017	0.71	BA
6050-00-KC-036	Kitchen - G16 Side - Opposite Office - Right	5/3/2017	0.61	BA
6050-00-DW-038	Cafeteria - Room G14 Side	12/28/2016	597	AA
6050-00-DW-039	Cafeteria - Room G14 Side	12/28/2016	90.0	AA
6050-00-HS-040	Cafeteria - Room G14 Side	5/3/2017	0.054	BA
6050-00-DW-041	Cafeteria - Room G14 Side - Right	5/3/2017	3.0	BA
6050-00-DW-046	Hall Outside Room G1 - Child Care (Old Home Ec.) - Left	5/3/2017	19.9	AA
6050-00-DW-047	Hall Outside Room G1 - Child Care (Old Home Ec.) - Right	5/3/2017	2.1	BA
6050-01-DW-062	Outside Auditorium - Far Side Near Womens' Room - Left	5/3/2017	11.7	AA
6050-01-DW-063	Outside Auditorium - Far Side Near Womens' Room - Right	5/3/2017	25.2	AA
6050-01-DW-064	Outside Auditorium - Hall Side Near Mens' Room - Left	5/3/2017	17.3	AA
6050-01-DW-065	Outside Auditorium - Hall Side Near Mens' Room - Right	5/3/2017	5.4	BA
6050-01-DW-066	Outside Room 100B - Left	5/3/2017	2.4	BA
6050-01-DW-067	Outside Room 100B - Center	5/3/2017	5.1	BA
6050-01-DW-068	Outside Room 100B - Right	5/3/2017	4.0	BA
6050-01-DW-074	Across From Room 111	5/3/2017	2.9	BA
6050-02-DW-082	Outside Room 212A - Center	5/3/2017	2.9	BA
6050-02-DW-083	Outside Room 212A - Right	5/3/2017	1.0	BA
6050-02-HS-087	Outside Rooms 202 & 203 - Left	5/3/2017	0.054	BA
6050-02-DW-089	Outside Rooms 202 & 203 - Right	5/3/2017	2.5	BA
6050-03-DW-092	Outside Room 300	5/3/2017	6.9	BA
6050-03-DW-095	Outside Room 304 - Right	5/3/2017	8.0	BA
6050-03-DW-097	Outside Room 312	5/3/2017	3.7	BA
6050-03-DW-099	Outside Room 314/316 - Left	12/28/2016	36.2	AA
6050-03-DW-100	Outside Room 314/316 - Center	12/28/2016	46.8	AA
6050-03-DW-101	Outside Room 314/316 - Right	5/3/2017	40.3	AA
6050-00-IM-102	Kitchen	5/3/2017	0.054	BA
6050-01-CF-169	Room 111A - Nurse's Office	5/3/2017	1.9	BA
6050-01-CF-170	Room 111A - Nurse's Large Exam Room Near Bathroom	5/3/2017	5.5	BA
6050-01-CF-172	Room 122 - Nurse's Speech Therapy Room	5/3/2017	8.2	BA
6050-00-WC-222	Room G-16C - Faculty Dining Room	12/28/2016	65.8	AA

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