

THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA Operations Division Office of Environmental Management & Services 440 North Broad Street Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19130 215-400-4750

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Dear Promise Academy at Martin Luther King 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, 37 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 <u>www.cdc.gov/lead</u>.

If you wish to view the detailed results from your school you may visit the District's website at <u>www.philasd.org/waterresults</u> 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,

Jarcin Locke

Francine Locke, MS Environmental Director

School Name:

Promise Academy at Martin Luther King High School

				
Outlet ID #	Outlet Location	Sample Collection Date	Test Result (ppb)	Test Results
6060-01-WC-023	Kitchen - Outside Office	5/5/2012	9.3	BA
6060-01-KC-025	Kitchen - Sink Along Office Wall - Left	5/5/2012	1.5	BA
6060-01-KC-027	Kitchen - Sink Along Office Wall - Right	5/5/2012	2.0	BA
6060-01-KC-030	Kitchen - Stainless Sink Next to Hand Sink	5/5/2012	1.0	BA
6060-01-IM-032	Kitchen - Rear Vestibule	5/5/2012	0.67	BA
6060-01-KC-034	Room T-138 - Special Education	5/5/2012	1.1	BA
6060-01-WC-042	Room T-137 - Library	5/5/2012	19.4	AA
6060-01-WC-043	Room T-136 - Auto Shop	5/5/2012	6.1	BA
6060-01-WC-044	Room T-135	5/5/2012	0.71	BA
6060-01-WC-045	Room T-134	5/5/2012	2.5	BA
6060-02-KC-046	Room T-239 - Life Skills - RHO	5/5/2012	3.1	BA
6060-02-KC-047	Room T-240 - Life Skills - Kitchen - Haines St. Wall	5/5/2012	2.1	BA
6060-02-EC-049	Room T-241 - Home Ec Hall Wall - Left	5/5/2012	3.0	BA
6060-02-EC-051	Room T-241 - Home Ec Hall Wall - Right	5/5/2012	5.2	BA
6060-02-EC-053	Room T-241 - Home Ec Side Wall - Left	5/5/2012	6.3	BA
6060-02-EC-055	Room T-241 - Home Ec Side Wall - Center	5/5/2012	13.9	AA
6060-02-EC-057	Room T-241 - Home Ec Side Wall - Right	5/5/2012	63.1	AA
6060-02-EC-061	Room T-241 - Home Ec Double Sink - Left	5/5/2012	345	AA
6060-02-EC-063	Room T-241 - Home Ec Double Sink - Right	5/5/2012	25.7	AA
6060-02-WC-064	Outside Rooms 238 & 240	5/5/2012	0.52	BA
6060-02-WC-076	Across From Rooms T-229 & T-228	5/5/2012	0.47	BA
6060-02-WC-082	Outside Room 214D - Boys' Bathroom	5/5/2012	0.13	BA
6060-02-WC-082	Outside Room 214C - Girls' Bathroom	5/5/2012	0.14	BA
6060-02-WC-092	Girls' Locker Room - Left	5/5/2012	4.9	BA
6060-01-DW-098	Girls' Locker Room - Right	5/5/2012	7.7	BA
6060-01-DW-099	Boys' Locker Room - Left	5/5/2012	0.65	BA
		-1-1 -	2.4	
6060-01-DW-103	Boys' Locker Room - Right	5/5/2012		BA
6060-02-DW-106	Gym "B" Gym "C"	5/5/2012 5/5/2012	2.1	BA
6060-02-DW-107	,		1.3 0.074	BA BA
6060-02-HS-116	Outside Room 250A	5/5/2012		
6060-02-KC-118	Room A252A - Main Office Storage	5/5/2012	0.42	BA
6060-02-WC-119	Outside Room A252 - Main Office	5/5/2012	0.27	BA
6060-02-KC-124	Room 264/266 - Music Room	5/5/2012	0.50	BA
6060-03-KC-131	Room A355	5/5/2012	10.1	AA
6060-03-WC-142	Outside Room A351	5/5/2012	1.2	BA
6060-03-WC-149	Outside Room 314C - Girls' Bathroom	5/5/2012	0.19	BA
6060-03-HS-162	Outside Room 314D - Boys' Bathroom	5/5/2012	0.074	BA
6060-03-WC-184	Outside Room 336	5/5/2012	0.17	BA
6060-03-WC-185	Outside Rooms 346 & 345C	5/5/2012	0.11	BA
6060-03-CF-202	Room G375 - Nurse's Suite Office	5/5/2012	2.1	BA
6060-02-KC-205	Room T-240 - Life Skills - Kitchen - Along Hallway Wall	5/5/2012	2.6	BA
6060-03-WC-206	Room G375 - Nurse's Suite Office - Left Cooler	5/5/2012	1.0	BA
6060-03-WC-207	Room G375 - Nurse's Suite Office - Right Cooler	5/5/2012	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