

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 Wagner Elementary 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, 21 of the water outlets passed this stronger water safety threshold and the water is safe to drink. One water outlet was found to have results above our stronger water safety threshold and was immediately shut off. We are currently developing an action plan to repair or permanently remove it. 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:

Wagner Elementary School

Outlet ID #	Outlet Location	Sample Collection Date	Test Result (ppb)	Test Results
7130-01-DW-001	Outside West Lunch Room - Left	4/4/2017	1.9	BA
7130-01-HS-003	Outside West Lunch Room - Right	4/4/2017	0.054	BA
7130-01-KC-005	Kitchen - Left	4/4/2017	1.0	BA
7130-01-KC-007	Kitchen - Center Left	4/4/2017	3.6	BA
7130-01-KC-009	Kitchen - Center Right	4/4/2017	2.4	BA
7130-01-KC-011	Kitchen - Right	4/4/2017	1.7	BA
7130-01-DW-013	Outside East Lunch Room - Left	12/29/2016	0.95	BA
7130-01-DW-014	Outside East Lunch Room - Center	4/4/2017	1.3	BA
7130-01-DW-015	Outside East Lunch Room - Right	12/29/2016	2.3	BA
7130-01-DW-017	Outside Room 106	4/4/2017	5.0	BA
7130-01-KC-018	Kitchenette In Back of Room 106	4/4/2017	6.0	BA
7130-02-DW-026	Outside IMC	4/4/2017	4.2	BA
7130-03-DW-028	Outside Room 321	4/4/2017	5.5	BA
7130-03-DW-029	Outside Room 309	4/4/2017	14.8	AA
7130-02-DW-030	Outside Room 216	4/4/2017	1.9	BA
7130-01-KC-046	Room 105 - Special Ed - Left Side	4/4/2017	3.9	BA
7130-02-CF-079	Next to Room 203 - Nurse's Office	4/4/2017	2.1	BA
7130-02-HS-105N	Outside Conference Room	4/4/2017	0.054	BA
7130-03-HS-109N	Outside Room 316	4/4/2017	0.054	BA
7130-03-DW-111N	In Hallway Between Rooms 305 & 306	12/29/2016	5.0	BA
7130-03-CF-136	Room 306 Life Skills - Left Sink	4/4/2017	4.9	BA
7130-03-CF-137	Room 306 Life Skills - Right Sink	4/4/2017	5.5	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

\*EPA ACTION LEVEL FOR LEAD IS 20 ppb