



# THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA

**Operations Division**  
Office of Environmental Management and Services  
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Dear **Elkin Elementary School** Community,

As a part of the School District of Philadelphia’s effort to provide students and staff with safe, accessible and appealing drinking water, **60** water outlets at your school were initially tested for lead on **April 17, 2019, April 18, 2019, April 25, 2019, and May 09, 2019**. Of those outlets, **47** outlets produced water that was below the action level of 10 ppb. **Thirteen (13)** water outlets were found to have results above the water safety threshold and these outlets were immediately shut-off.

Below outlines the confirmed corrective action steps that were taken for those thirteen water outlets that tested above the action limit.

Sample Date	Floor	Outlet Number	Outlet Type	Outlet Description	Lead Result (ppb)	MDL (ppb)	PQL (ppb)	Confirmed Corrective Action Description
04/17/2019	0	15	FT	In RM B01 front right	200.4	0.3	1.0	Made handwash sink.
04/17/2019	0	16	FT	In RM B01 front left	33.2	0.3	1.0	Made handwash sink.
04/17/2019	0	17	FT	In RM B01 back right	7.7	0.3	1.0	Made handwash sink.
04/17/2019	0	18	FT	In RM B01 back left	33.0	0.3	1.0	Made handwash sink.
04/18/2019	0	23	WF	In RM B02	11.7	0.3	1.0	Replaced bubble head and retested
08/07/2019	0	23	WF	In RM B02	6.7	0.3	1.0	Returned to service.
04/18/2019	2	27	FT	In RM 205	73.2	0.3	1.0	Made handwash sink.
04/18/2019	2	31	FT	In RM 203	182.5	0.3	1.0	Made handwash sink.
04/18/2019	2	32	WF	In sink in RM 209	13.1	0.3	1.0	Removed bubble head and capped off. Associated sink was made a handwash sink.
04/18/2019	2	33	FT	In RM 210	13.7	0.3	1.0	Made handwash sink.
04/18/2019	2	36	FT	In RM 213	127.5	0.3	1.0	Made handwash sink.
04/18/2019	2	41	FT	In RM 217 back wall	70.2	0.3	1.0	Made handwash sink.
04/18/2019	2	42	FT	In RM 218	17.5	0.3	1.0	Made handwash sink.
04/18/2019	1	45	FT	In RM 109	411.4	0.3	1.0	Made handwash sink.
05/09/2019	1	49	WF	In RM 105	13.3*	0.3	1.0	Replaced with Hydration Station <sup>1</sup>



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### Notes:

AA = Above Action limit of 10 ppb

BA = Below Action limit of 10 ppb

MDL = Method Detection Limit

PQL = Practical Quantitation Limit

J = Result estimated below the PQL

< = not detected above PQL

ppb = parts per billion

### Outlet Types:

WF=Water Fountain/Bubbler

HS=Hydration Station/Bottle Filling Station

FT=Faucet/Tap

FP - Food Prep/Pot-Filler/Kitchen Kettle

IM - Ice-Maker

<sup>1</sup>Hydration Station has passed subsequent testing and is turned on for use. Hydration Stations offer filtered water and bottle filling stations that remove, on average, 99.3 percent of lead from drinking water. These filtered water bottle filling stations are more effective, efficient, and affordable than the alternatives to lead remediation.

\*Denotes an outlet location that has not been in use (the outlet was temporarily turned on for testing).

The School District will test the drinking water at your school every five years and share the results through a letter and also post the results on the District's website. If you wish to review the results from your school and for more information, you may visit the District's website at:

[www.philasd.org/waterresults](http://www.philasd.org/waterresults).

Sincerely,

Brian Joseph  
Environmental Director