

Operations Division

Office of Environmental Management and Services
440 North Broad Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19130
215-400-4750

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Dear Widener Memorial Elementary School Community,

As part of the School District of Philadelphia's effort to provide students and staff with safe, accessible and appealing drinking water, your school's water was tested for lead on **May 05, 2021 and May 06, 2021**. A trained technician collected samples from water outlets and the samples were sent to an accredited Pennsylvania laboratory for analysis. The action level used by the District is 10 parts per billion (ppb) of lead. If water exceeded this action level, the drinking water outlet was shut-off immediately and an action plan developed.

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.

There were **62** outlets tested at your school. Of those outlets, **43** outlets produced water that was below the action level of 10 ppb. **Nineteen (19)** water outlets were found to have results above the water safety threshold and these outlets were immediately shut-off.

An action plan is being developed to determine the best way to address the outlet(s) that was shut-off (if applicable to your school), including replacing the outlet with a new hydration station or, if the outlet is not needed because another outlet is available nearby, the outlet may be permanently removed from the school. Once a decision is made, the Maintenance Department will perform the new installation or remove the existing outlet.

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.

Sincerely,

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Sample Date	Floor	Outlet Number	Outlet Type	Outlet Description	Lead Result (ppb)	MDL	PQL	Action Limits
05/05/2021	0	3	WF	Across from Woman's Locker RM	29.87	NA	1	AA
05/05/2021	1	6	HS	Outside kitchen	<1	NA	1	BA
05/05/2021	1	7	HS	In cafeteria	<1	NA	1	BA
05/05/2021	1	14	FT	In kitchen hall wall	67.17	NA	1	AA
05/05/2021	1	12	FT	In kitchen back wall	10.47	NA	1	AA
05/05/2021	1	9	FT	In kitchen food prep table	3.352	NA	1	BA
05/05/2021	1	10	FT	In kitchen window wall left	14.83	NA	1	AA
05/05/2021	1	11	FT	In kitchen window wall right	9.488	NA	1	BA
05/05/2021	1	17	WF	In Staff dining RM 41	1.182	NA	1	BA
05/05/2021	1	18	FT	In Staff dining RM 41	5.699	NA	1	BA
05/05/2021	1	22	FT	In RM 38 Nurses Office	3.552	NA	1	BA
05/05/2021	1	24	FT	In RM 38 Nurses office Left BR	4.209	NA	1	BA
05/05/2021	1	23	FT	In RM 38 Nurses office Right BR	14.75	NA	1	AA
05/05/2021	1	25	FT	In RM 37	27.74	NA	1	AA
05/05/2021	1	27	FT	In RM 31A	149.1	NA	1	AA
05/05/2021	1	26	FT	In RM 31B	11.22	NA	1	AA
05/05/2021	1	31	FT	In RM 33	9.844	NA	1	BA
05/05/2021	1	32	FT	In RM 35 kitchen	5.751	NA	1	BA
05/05/2021	1	37	HS	Outside RM 34	<1	NA	1	BA
05/05/2021	1	33	WF	In RM 34	1.416	NA	1	BA
05/05/2021	1	38	FT	In RM 28	16.03	NA	1	AA
05/05/2021	1	43	HS	Outside Auditorium	<1	NA	1	BA
05/05/2021	1	46	FT	In RM 27	35.53	NA	1	AA
05/05/2021	1	47	FT	In RM 26	3.89	NA	1	BA
05/05/2021	1	48	WF	In RM 26	4.953	NA	1	BA
05/05/2021	1	49	WF	In RM 26 outside BR	8.456	NA	1	BA
05/05/2021	1	52	FT	In RM 101	8.455	NA	1	BA
05/05/2021	1	54	FT	In RM 112	8.374	NA	1	BA
05/05/2021	1	56	HS	Outside RM 102A	<1	NA	1	BA
05/06/2021	1	8	IM	In kitchen	<1	NA	1	BA
05/06/2021	1	13	FP	In kitchen center wall	50.54	NA	1	AA
05/06/2021	1	34	FT	In RM 34	<1	NA	1	BA
05/06/2021	1	61	FT	In RM 110	<1	NA	1	BA
05/06/2021	1	62	FT	In RM 103	<1	NA	1	BA
05/06/2021	1	63	FT	In RM 104	<1	NA	1	BA
05/06/2021	1	64	FT	In RM 109	<1	NA	1	BA
05/06/2021	1	65	FT	In RM 105	<1	NA	1	BA
05/06/2021	1	66	FT	In RM 108	49.69	NA	1	AA



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05/06/2021	1	68	FT	In RM 106	<1	NA	1	BA
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Date		Number	Type		(ppb)			Limits
05/06/2021	1	76	FT	In RM 24	50.74	NA	1	AA
05/06/2021	1	78	FT	In RM 23	2.934	NA	1	BA
05/06/2021	1	80	FT	In RM 22	6.172	NA	1	BA
05/06/2021	1	81	FT	In RM 21	2.752	NA	1	BA
05/06/2021	1	83	FT	In RM 20	2.76	NA	1	BA
05/06/2021	1	84	FT	In RM 19	3.047	NA	1	BA
05/06/2021	1	85	FT	In RM 18	6.714	NA	1	BA
05/06/2021	1	86	FT	In RM 17	4.978	NA	1	BA
05/06/2021	1	87	HS	Outside RM 16	<1	NA	1	BA
05/06/2021	1	89	FT	In RM 15	3.47	NA	1	BA
05/06/2021	1	91	FT	In RM 14	59.24	NA	1	AA
05/06/2021	1	92	HS	Outside RM 13	<1	NA	1	BA
05/06/2021	1	94	FT	In RM 13	2.168	NA	1	BA
05/06/2021	1	95	FT	In RM 12	22.25	NA	1	AA
05/06/2021	1	97	FT	In RM 11	1.913	NA	1	BA
05/06/2021	1	99	FT	In RM 8	73.8	NA	1	AA
05/06/2021	1	100	FT	In RM 9	85.09	NA	1	AA
05/06/2021	1	101	FT	In RM 7	4.438	NA	1	BA
05/06/2021	1	104	WF	Across from RM 4	6.85	NA	1	BA
05/06/2021	1	107	FT	In RM 3	72.08	NA	1	AA
05/06/2021	1	108	FT	In IMC	1.769	NA	1	BA
05/06/2021	1	119	HS	Outside RM 47 Vice Principal	<1	NA	1	BA
05/06/2021	1	121	FT	In RM 46 small dining hall	14.07	NA	1	AA

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

NA = Not Available