



THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA

Operations Division

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

November 16, 2021

Dear **Holme 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 **November 09, 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 **37** outlets tested at your school. Of those outlets, **32** outlets produced water that was below the action level of 10 ppb. **Five (5)** water outlets were found to have results above the water safety threshold and these outlets were immediately shut-off. In the event that an outlet was inaccessible for testing during this initial sampling event, the outlet will remain off until the outlet can be sampled. These results will be included in the final letters.

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,

Steve Link
Environmental Director



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Sample Date	Floor	Outlet Number	Outlet Type	Outlet Description	Lead Result (ppb)	PQL	Action Limits
11/09/2021	00	01	FT	In kitchen L	2.3	1	BA
11/09/2021	00	02	FT	In kitchen R	2.8	1	BA
11/09/2021	00	03	HS	Outside kitchen	<1	1	BA
11/09/2021	00	04	FT	In RM 1 BR kindergarten	3.1	1	BA
11/09/2021	00	06	FT	In RM 2 BR kindergarten	3.6	1	BA
11/09/2021	00	07	HS	In RM 2 kindergarten	<1	1	BA
11/09/2021	00	08	FT	In RM 3 BR autistic support	1.4	1	BA
11/09/2021	00	09	HS	Outside gym	<1	1	BA
11/09/2021	00	11	HS	In IMC/music room	<1	1	BA
11/09/2021	01	13	FT	In RM 102 1st grade	6.7	1	BA
11/09/2021	01	14	HS	Outside stage/stair 2	<1	1	BA
11/09/2021	01	15	FT	In RM 101 1st grade	92	1	AA
11/09/2021	01	16	FT	In nurse's BR	12	1	AA
11/09/2021	01	17	FT	In nurse's room	3.5	1	BA
11/09/2021	01	18	FT	In RM 113 1st grade	25	1	AA
11/09/2021	01	19	HS	Outside stage/stair 4	<1	1	BA
11/09/2021	01	20	HS	Outside stair 3	<1	1	BA
11/09/2021	02	21	HS	Outside stair 3/RM 209	<1	1	BA
11/09/2021	02	23	FT	In RM 205 special needs	6	1	BA
11/09/2021	xx	24	FT	In annex RM 61 BR pre-K	2.5	1	BA
11/09/2021	xx	25	HS	In annex RM 61 pre-K	<1	1	BA
11/09/2021	xx	26	FT	In annex RM 61 pre-K	1	1	BA
11/09/2021	xx	27	FT	In annex RM 64 BR pre-K	1.5	1	BA
11/09/2021	xx	28	HS	In annex RM 64 pre-K	<1	1	BA
11/09/2021	xx	29	FT	In annex RM 64 pre-K	<1	1	BA
11/09/2021	xx	30	FT	In annex RM 301-302 BR special needs	20	1	AA
11/09/2021	xx	31	HS	In annex RM 301-302 special needs	<1	1	BA
11/09/2021	xx	32	FT	In annex RM 301-302 special needs	4.7	1	BA
11/09/2021	xx	33	FT	In annex RM 65 BR pre-K	3	1	BA
11/09/2021	xx	34	HS	In annex RM 65 pre-K	<1	1	BA
11/09/2021	xx	35	FT	In annex RM 65 pre-K	1.5	1	BA
11/09/2021	xx	36	FT	In annex RM 63 BR pre-K	2.6	1	BA
11/09/2021	xx	37	HS	In annex RM 63 pre-K	<1	1	BA
11/09/2021	xx	38	FT	In annex RM 63 pre-K	13	1	AA
11/09/2021	xx	39	FT	In annex RM 66 BR pre-K	3.1	1	BA
11/09/2021	xx	40	HS	In annex RM 66 pre-K	<1	1	BA



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11/09/2021	xx	41	FT	In annex RM 66 pre-K	2.3	1	BA
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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

xx = Annex

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