



THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA

Operations Division

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

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Dear **Ludlow 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 16, 2022**. 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 **8** outlets tested at your school. Of those outlets, **Eight (8)** outlets produced water that was below the action level of 10 ppb. **No** water outlets were found to have results above the water safety threshold.

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
05/16/2022	00	03	HS	009-in cafeteria near S05	<1	1	BA
05/16/2022	00	04	HS	009-in cafeteria near S07	<1	1	BA
05/16/2022	01	11	HS	H17-near S11	<1	1	BA
05/16/2022	01	18	HS	H16-in hall 16	<1	1	BA
05/16/2022	02	21	HS	H213-near S22	<1	1	BA
05/16/2022	02	23	HS	H212-near S21	<1	1	BA
05/16/2022	03	27	HS	H315-near S31	<1	1	BA
05/16/2022	xx	34	HS	Xx-outside Gym	<1	1	BA

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