



# THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA

## Operations Division

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

**December 19, 2023**

Dear **McKinley 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 **December 07, 2023**. 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.

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](http://www.cdc.gov/lead).

Two (2) outlets were tested at your school. Of those outlets, **Two (2)** 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](http://www.philasd.org/waterresults).

Sincerely,

**Victoria Flemming**

Interim Executive Director of Environmental



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Sample Date	Floor	Outlet Number	Outlet Type	Outlet Description	Lead Result (ppb)	PQL	Action Limits
12/07/2023	01	11	WF	In RM 3	3.6	1	BA
12/07/2023	01	13	FP	RM 3 in shared PreK Kitchen	1.1	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  
NA = Not available

### 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