



East Lansing
Public Schools

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Dear Parents/Staff:

The following is an update regarding water testing at each of the District's school buildings.

On March 18, March 19, April 1, and April 2, the District had over 1,000 water samples taken by Materials Testing Consultants, Inc. (over 500 devices of faucets and drinking fountains). Two samples from each device were taken. Those samples were transported to a certified drinking water laboratory and tested for lead. The results of the testing show 31 devices are at or above the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Action Level of 15 parts per billion (ppm) or 0.015 milligrams per liter (mg/L). The majority of those 31 devices are in areas that are restricted from student access, such as mechanical/custodial rooms or are in rooms that the device is not being used by students.

Below are the 31 devices that tested at or above the action level (note, Red Cedar Elementary has not yet been tested as the priority was to test buildings occupied with students):

<u>Building</u>	<u>Room</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Room</u>
Donley	Girls' bathroom sink	MacDonald	Unisex bathroom sink
Donley	Mechanical / custodial room	MacDonald	Mechanical / custodial room
Donley	Library storage room sink	MacDonald	Kitchen sink to wash hands
Glencairn	Mechanical / custodial room	MacDonald	Kitchen sink to wash hands
Glencairn	Girls' bathroom sink	MacDonald	Kitchen 3 compartment sink
Glencairn	M. Foster classroom sink	MacDonald	V. Watson classroom - sinks not used
Glencairn	K. Nordquist classroom sink	MacDonald	V. Watson classroom - sinks not used
Marble	Faculty mens' bathroom sink	MacDonald	V. Watson classroom - sinks not used
Pinecrest	Multi purpose storage room sink	MacDonald	V. Watson classroom - sinks not used
Pinecrest	Kitchen 3 compartment sink	MacDonald	V. Watson classroom - sinks not used
Pinecrest	Mechanical / custodial room	MacDonald	R. Voigt - storage room sink not used
Pinecrest	Z. Konett classroom sink	MacDonald	S. Jackson - storage room sink not used
Pinecrest	Mechanical / custodial room	High School	Mechanical / custodial room
Pinecrest	Library storage room sink	High School	Mechanical / custodial room
Whitehills	S. Wagner classroom sink	High School	Mechanical / custodial room
		High School	Room 715-wood shop room not used

As directed by District administration, the maintenance staff has turned off the water supply to the 31 devices to which students have access. The District has contacted the Ingham County Health Department to schedule a meeting as soon as possible to discuss an action plan. The District still has more samples to be tested that involve flushing of the water (30 seconds and two minutes).

If you have any questions regarding this, please feel free to contact my office. We will continue to share more information as it becomes available.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robyne Thompson, Ph.D.", written in a cursive style.

Robyne Thompson, Ph.D.
Superintendent