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Lead in Water Testing Notification

May 4, 2021

Dear Parents, Guardians and Staff:

On September 6, 2016 Governor Cuomo signed legislation which requires public schools in New York State to test all potable water sources for lead. The first required testing occurred in 2016, and as required by law the Whitehall Central School was due for updated testing in 2021.

On the mornings of February 5th and April 1st, a total of 116 sources of water were collected and sent for analysis at the Capital Region Environmental Laboratory, which is certified by the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH). The school obtained results on May 3, 2021, of the 128 sources tested, 27 were found to be in excess of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and New York State Department of Health Action Level for schools.

The maximum contamination level (MCL) set by the EPA and NYSDOH is 15 parts per billion. The exact locations of each water source that was tested as well as the 27 outlets that were found in exceedance can be found on our school website. Outlets that tested with lead levels above the 15 parts per billion standard were removed from service, unless needed for handwashing. In that case, a sign was posted at the outlet indicating that the sink is not to be used for drinking and should be used for handwashing only. Outlets that tested below the MCL remain in service with no restrictions. The school will work to determine the source of lead in each of the outlets that tested above the MCL and remediate as necessary. Once these have been remediated, the Whitehall Central School District will resample water from the identified outlets.

According to the EPA, lead in drinking water is rarely the sole cause of lead poisoning. Additionally, human skin does not absorb lead in water so even if water contains lead over the state's action level, it is safe for hand washing, cleaning, or science applications. For more information about lead levels and drinking water, visit the EPA's website https://www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water.

While we know that this information may cause you some concern, we are taking the necessary steps to address the situation and confirm the safety of water throughout the school. There is nothing that we take more seriously than the well-being of our students and staff. We will provide more information when it becomes available, please contact me if you have any questions.

Respectfully.

Patrick M. Dee Superintendent of Schools

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Capital Region Environmental Lab - ELAP ID# 10350			Analysis Method	Analysis Method: EPA 200.8 REV 5.4			†1		
	School		Collection		Outlet	Initial/	Results	Lab Report	
Lab ID	Building	Sample ID#	Date	Sample Location	Description	Post	mg/L	Receipt Date	Action Taken
CREL	WES	WES-1-KF-01	1/26/2021	Kitchen 2-bay (left)	Kitchen faucet	Initial	0.006	2/5/2021	
CREL	WES	WES-1-KF-02	1/26/2021	Kitchen 2-bay (right)	Kitchen faucet	Initial	0.002	2/5/2021	
CREL	WES	WES-1-IM-03	1/26/2021	Kitchen ice machine	Kitchen faucet	Initial	<0.001	2/5/2021	
CREL	WES	WES-1-KF-04	1/26/2021	Kitchen sprayer (dishwasher area)	Kitchen sprayer	Initial	0.001	2/5/2021	
CREL	WES	WES-1-KF-05	1/26/2021	Kitchen 4-bay (left)	Kitchen faucet	Initial	0.016	2/5/2021	Sign posted "DO NOT DRINK"
CREL	WES	WES-1-KF-06	1/26/2021	Kitchen 4-bay (right)	Kitchen sprayer	Initial	0.002	2/5/2021	
CREL	WES	WES-1-KF-07	1/26/2021	Kitchen steam kettle	Steam kettle	Initial	0.004	2/5/2021	
CREL	WES	WES-1-BF-08	1/26/2021	Kitchen bathroom sink	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.014	2/5/2021	
CREL	WES	WES-1-KF-09	1/26/2021	Maintenance break room	Kitchen faucet	Initial	0.220	2/5/2021	Sign posted "DO NOT DRINK"
CREL	WES	WES-1-BF-10	1/26/2021	Boy's locker room	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.007	2/5/2021	
CREL	WES	WES-1-BF-11	1/26/2021	Backpack room	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.030	2/5/2021	Sign posted "DO NOT DRINK"
CREL	WES	WES-1-BF-12	1/26/2021	P.E. Office	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.130	2/5/2021	Sign posted "DO NOT DRINK"
CREL	WES	WES-1-WC-13	1/26/2021	Cafeteria B	Water cooler	Initial	0.037	2/5/2021	
CREL	WES	WES-1-WC-14	1/26/2021	Water cooler outside girl's locker room	Water cooler	Initial	<0.001	2/5/2021	
CREL	WES	WES-1-BF-15	1/26/2021	Girl's locker room	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.027	2/5/2021	Sign posted "DO NOT DRINK"
CREL	WES	WES-1-BF-16	1/26/2021	Women's room near gym	Bathroom faucet	Initial	<0.001	2/5/2021	
CREL	WES	WES-1-BF-17	1/26/2021	Men's room near gym	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.007	2/5/2021	
CREL	WES	WES-1-BF-18	1/26/2021	Nurse office bathroom	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.005	2/5/2021	
CREL	WES	WES-1-NS-19	1/26/2021	Nurse office sink	Nurse faucet	Initial	0.002	2/5/2021	
CREL	WES	WES-1-BF-20	1/26/2021	Office bathroom left	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.003	2/5/2021	
CREL	WES	WES-1-BF-21	1/26/2021	Office bathroom right	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.035	2/5/2021	Sign posted "DO NOT DRINK"
CREL	WES	WES-1-CF-22	1/26/2021	Rm 15	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.008	2/5/2021	
CREL	WES	WES-1-CF-23	1/26/2021	Rm 15A	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.009	2/5/2021	
CREL	WES	WES-1-CF-24	1/26/2021	Rm 13A	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.005	2/5/2021	
CREL	WES	WES-1-CF-25	1/26/2021	Rm 13	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.020	2/5/2021	Sign posted "DO NOT DRINK"
CREL	WES	WES-1-CF-26	1/26/2021	Rm 9	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.011	2/5/2021	
CREL	WES	WES-1-CF-27	1/26/2021	Rm 9A	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.035	2/5/2021	Sign posted "DO NOT DRINK"
CREL	WES	WES-1-CF-28	1/26/2021	Rm 7A	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.230	2/5/2021	Sign posted "DO NOT DRINK"
CREL	WES	WES-1-CF-29	1/26/2021	Rm 7 Rm 3	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.002	2/5/2021 2/5/2021	
CREL	WES	WES-1-BF-30	1/26/2021	4	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.012	+	
CREL	WES	WES-1-CF-31 WES-1-CF-32	1/26/2021 1/26/2021	Rm 2	Classroom faucet	Initial Initial	0.001	2/5/2021 2/5/2021	Sign posted "DO NOT DRINK"
CREL	WES	WES-1-CF-32 WES-1-CF-33		Rm 1			0.017	2/5/2021	Sign posted DO NOT DRINK
CREL	WES WES	WES-1-CF-33 WES-1-CF-34	1/26/2021	Rm 4 Rm 4A	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.007	+iii	
CREL	WES		1/26/2021	Rm 6A	Classroom faucet	Initial		2/5/2021	
!		WES-1-CF-35 WES-1-CF-36	1/26/2021 1/26/2021	Rm 6	Classroom faucet	Initial Initial	0.007 0.010	2/5/2021 2/5/2021	
CREL CREL	WES		1/26/2021					2/5/2021 2/5/2021	Sign posted "DO NOT DRINK"
	WES	WES-1-CF-37 WES-1-CF-38	1/26/2021	Rm 10	Classroom faucet	Initial Initial	0.026 0.022	2/5/2021 2/5/2021	Sign posted "DO NOT DRINK" Sign posted "DO NOT DRINK"
CREL	WES	WES-1-CF-38 WES-1-CF-39	1/26/2021	Rm 10A	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.022	2/5/2021 2/5/2021	
CREL CREL	WES WES	WES-1-CF-39 WES-1-CF-40	1/26/2021	Rm 12A Rm 12	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.004	2/5/2021	Sign posted "DO NOT DRINK"
CREL	WES	WES-1-CF-40 WES-1-CF-41	1/26/2021	Rm 12 Rm 16	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.022	2/5/2021 2/5/2021	
				Rm 16 Rm 16A		+		+	Sign posted "DO NOT DRINK"
CREL	WES	WES-1-CF-42	1/26/2021		Classroom faucet	Initial	0.051	2/5/2021	Sign posted "DO NOT DRINK"

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CREL	WES	WES-1-CF-43	1/26/2021	Rm 18A	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.011	2/5/2021	
CREL	WES	WES-1-CF-44	1/26/2021	Rm 18	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.014	2/5/2021	
CREL	WES	WES-1-CF-45	1/26/2021	Rm 22	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.012		
CREL	WES	WES-1-CF-46	1/26/2021	Rm 22A	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.110	2/5/2021	Sign posted "DO NOT DRINK"
CREL	WES	WES-1-CF-47	1/26/2021	Rm 24A	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.028	2/5/2021	Sign posted "DO NOT DRINK"
CREL	WES	WES-1-CF-48	1/26/2021	Rm 24	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.020	2/5/2021	Sign posted "DO NOT DRINK"
CREL	WES	WES-1-CF-49	1/26/2021	Rm 25	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.001	2/5/2021	
CREL	WES	WES-1-CF-50	1/26/2021	Rm 25A	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.019	2/5/2021	Sign posted "DO NOT DRINK"
CREL	WES	WES-1-CF-51	1/26/2021	Rm 27A	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.025	2/5/2021	Sign posted "DO NOT DRINK"
CREL	WES	WES-1-CF-52	1/26/2021	Rm 27	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.022	2/5/2021	Sign posted "DO NOT DRINK"
CREL	WES	WES-1-CF-53	1/26/2021	Rm 28	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.006	2/5/2021	
CREL	WES	WES-1-BF-54	1/26/2021	Rm 28	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.009	2/5/2021	
CREL	WES	WES-1-CF-55	1/26/2021	Rm 20 (right)	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.014	2/5/2021	
CREL	WES	WES-1-BF-56	1/26/2021	Rm 20	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.025	2/5/2021	
CREL	WES	WES-1-CF-57	1/26/2021	Rm 20 (left)	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.028	2/5/2021	Sign posted "DO NOT DRINK"
CREL	WES	WES-1-CF-58	1/26/2021	Rm 19	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.010	2/5/2021	
CREL	WES	WES-1-BF-59	1/26/2021	Rm 19	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.010	2/5/2021	1
CREL	WES	WES-1-DW-60	4/16/2021	Outside spigot by entrance "H"	Outside spigot	Initial	0.006	4/23/2021	

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	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-KF-01		Kitchen 2-bay w/ eyewash (left)	Kitchen faucet				
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-KF-02	3/30/2021	Kitchen 2-bay w/ eyewash (right)	Kitchen faucet	Initial	0.002	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-KF-03	3/30/2021	Kitchen 3-bay (left)	Kitchen faucet	Initial	0.008	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-KF-04	3/30/2021	Kitchen 3-bay sprayer	Kitchen faucet	Initial	0.016	4/1/2021	Sign posted "DO NOT DRINK"
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-KF-05	3/30/2021	Kitchen steam kettle	Steam kettle	Initial	0.002	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-BF-06	3/30/2021	Kitchen bathroom	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.028	4/1/2021	Sign posted "DO NOT DRINK"
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-KF-07	3/30/2021	Kitchen sprayer by garbage disposal	Kitchen faucet	Initial	0.016	4/1/2021	Sign posted "DO NOT DRINK"
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-IM-08	3/30/2021	Ice machine hookup outside kitchen	Ice machine	Initial	0.370	4/1/2021	Sign posted "DO NOT DRINK"
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-BF-09	3/30/2021	Girl's coach office bathroom (Mrs. Wilson)	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.003	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-BF-10	3/30/2021	Girl's locker room sink	Bathroom faucet	Initial	<0.001	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-WC-11	3/30/2021	Bottle filler by cafeteria/girl's locker room	Bottle filler	Initial	<0.001	4/1/2021	
	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-BF-12		Girl's bathroom sink (far left)	Bathroom faucet			11	Not working
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-BF-13	3/30/2021	Girl's bathroom sink (middle left)	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.004	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-BF-14	3/30/2021	Girl's bathroom sink (middle right)	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.003	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-BF-15	3/30/2021	Girl's bathroom sink (far right)	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.002	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-BF-16	3/30/2021	Boy's bathroom sink (far left)	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.004	4/1/2021	
	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-BF-17		Boy's bathroom sink (middle left)	Bathroom faucet			<u> </u>	Not working
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-BF-18	3/30/2021	Boy's bathroom sink (middle right)	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.009	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-BF-19	3/30/2021	Boy's bathroom sink (far right)	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.002	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-KF-20	3/30/2021	Break room sink	Kitchen faucet	Initial	0.003	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-KF-21	3/30/2021	Break room sprayer	Kitchen faucet	Initial	0.006	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-BF-22	3/30/2021	Bathroom next to break room	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.004	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-CF-23	3/30/2021	Music room sink	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.005	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-WC-24	3/30/2021	Bottle filler by main entrance	Bottle filler	Initial	<0.001	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-BF-25	3/30/2021	Guidance hallway bathroom	Bathroom faucet	Initial	<0.001	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-BF-26	3/30/2021	Nurse bathroom	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.001	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-NS-27	3/30/2021	Nurse sink	Nurse faucet	Initial	0.002	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-WC-28	3/30/2021	Bottle filler outside nurse's office	Bottle filler	Initial	<0.001	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-BF-29	3/30/2021	Women's faculty bathroom outside 118	Bathroom faucet	Initial	<0.001	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-BF-30	3/30/2021	Men's faculty bathroom outside 118	Bathroom faucet	Initial	<0.001	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-KF-31	3/30/2021	Room 118	Kitchen faucet	Initial	0.014	4/2/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-BF-32	3/30/2021	Women's room across from 213 (far left)	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.004	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-BF-33	3/30/2021	Women's room across from 213 (middle left)	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.003	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-BF-34	3/30/2021	Women's room across from 213 (middle right)	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.006	4/1/2021	
	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-BF-35		Women's room across from 213 (far right)	Bathroom faucet			1	Not working
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-BF-36	3/30/2021	Men's room across from 213 (far left)	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.003	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-BF-37	3/30/2021	Men's room across from 213 (middle left)	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.006	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-BF-38	3/30/2021	Men's room across from 213 (middle right)	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.005	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-BF-39	3/30/2021	Men's room across from 213 (far right)	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.003	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-KF-40	3/30/2021	Home Ec room (left sink)	Kitchen faucet	Initial	0.005	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-KF-41	3/30/2021	Home Ec room (right sink)	Kitchen faucet	Initial	0.001	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-CF-42	3/30/2021	Art room (left)	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.001	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-CF-43	3/30/2021	Art room (right)	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.002	4/1/2021	

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CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-CF-44		Woodshop (left)	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.005	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-CF-45	3/30/2021	Woodshop (right)	Classroom faucet	Initial	0.002	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-BF-46	3/30/2021	Fitness room bathroom	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.003	4/1/2021	
	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-WC-47		Fitness room bottle filler	Bottle filler				Not working
[WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-WC-48		Fitness room water cooler	Water cooler				Not working
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-BF-49	3/30/2021	Boy's coach office bathroom	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.004	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-BF-50	3/30/2021	Boy's locker room sink	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.001	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-WC-51	3/30/2021	Hydro station #4 outside boy's locker room	Water cooler	Initial	0.004	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-WC-52	3/30/2021	Hydro station #4 bottle filler	Bottle filler	Initial	0.003	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-BF-53	3/30/2021	District office bathroom	Bathroom faucet	Initial	0.024	4/1/2021	Sign posted "DO NOT DRINK"
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-BF-54	3/30/2021	Business office bathroom	Bathroom faucet	Initial	<0.001	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-KF-55	3/30/2021	Business office sink	Kitchen faucet	Initial	0.002	4/1/2021	
CREL	WHJrSrHigh	WHS-1-KF-56	3/30/2021	Business office sprayer	Kitchen faucet	Initial	<0.001	4/1/2021	