

**Washington
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Schools**



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Dear High School Community:

Washington Township School District contracted with South Jersey Water Test, LLC of Williamstown, N.J. to conduct the mandated State lead testing of water outlets of schools in our district. These tested outlets included water fountains and sinks throughout the district. Water samples were taken for the Washington Township High School between 4/1/17. Due to the size of the High School, the tests were broken down into the following sections: 9-10 Wing, Core, 11-12 Wing and O'Brien Hall. Today, May 10, 2017 we received the tests results for the Core area. The results for the Washington Township High School Core and O'Brien Hall reflect that 2 water fountains in the Core and 1 bib hose at O'Brien Hall, of the 46 samples taken exceeded the US Department of Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) action level of 15ug/l [ppb]. PPB stands for parts per billion. It should be noted that these 2 water fountains had been shut down for approximately 1 month before testing as the drains were clogged and needed to be replaced. Subsequently when the new drains were received they were installed and the fountains were turned back on. As a result of the test they have been disconnected and bottle water is being provided. It should be noted that the vendor included the test results for O'Brien Hall in the report for Grenloch Terrace Early Childhood Center.

Sample Number	Sample Location	First Draw Result in ug/l (ppb)	Remedial Action
HSC-FT3A	Water Fountain	267	Disconnected and bottled water is being provided.
HSC-FT3B	Water Fountain	582	Disconnected and bottled water is being provided.

These results are reflective of the first round of testing, which is a standing water test. All taps were shut down from use for 8 hours or more prior to drawing an immediate sample upon reopening of the tap. This will often lead to high test results. These taps have been shut down in advance of a second and final round of testing on the taps listed.

The EPA's protocol with any outlet that tests lead at or above 15 ppb is to proceed with a flush sample, which we have planned and a follow up report will be shared when this action is completed.

The safety of our students, staff and community members is our utmost priority; therefore, we are responding in a proactive and conservative manner with focus beyond the mandates to ensure such. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Mr. Schoenfeldt our Operations Manager at 856-589-9120.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joseph N. Bollendorf". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Joseph N. Bollendorf
Superintendent of Schools