



March 20, 2020

Dear Casey Park Elementary School Community:

Safe and healthy school environments can foster healthy and successful children. To protect public health, the Public Health Law and New York State Health Department (NYSDOH) regulations require that all public schools and boards of cooperative educational services (BOCES) test lead levels in water from every outlet that is being used, or could potentially be used, for drinking and cooking. If lead is found at any water outlet at levels above 15 parts per billion (ppb), which is equal to 15 micrograms per liter, the NYSDOH requires that the school take action to reduce the exposure to lead.

I'd like to take this opportunity to inform you that we now have received all lead test data from samples of water that were taken from Casey Park Elementary School on 2/13/20 and 2/26/20. Of 34 samples tested, three sites in the building slightly exceeded the permissible limit (15 micrograms per liter) as defined by state law. These three sites and the district's actions taken/actions planned are described below.

- Room 30 – Classroom sink: (0.020 mg/L), sampled on 2/13/20
Actions taken: sign posted indicating sink is for hand washing only
(Sink not used for drinking or food preparation)
Actions planned: replace valves and faucet, re-sampling
- Room 35 – Classroom sink: (0.021 mg/L), sampled on 2/13/20
Actions taken: sign posted indicating sink is for hand washing only
(Sink not used for drinking or food preparation)
Actions planned: replace valves and faucet, re-sampling
- Corridor 24 – Drinking Fountain: (0.020 mg/L), sampled on 2/13/20
Actions taken: water shut off, sign posted
Actions planned: fountain replacement and re-sampling

Lead test results for Casey Park Elementary can be found on our district website:

<http://www.aecsd.education/districtpage.cfm?pageid=1454>

As indicated above, in order to ensure the quality of water in the school buildings, we have displayed signs above each of the sinks with elevated lead levels that indicate they are for hand washing only. We will be replacing fixtures in each of the sinks. The fountain has been taken out of service while we await fountain replacement. We will then retest the three water outlets for lead.

We take the health and safety of our students and staff seriously, and we are committed to ensuring that our water sources inside our schools are safe. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at (315) 255-8818.

Sincerely,

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Director of Facilities III