



Auburn
Enlarged City School District



Harriet Tubman Administration
Building

Facilities Department

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Dear Herman Avenue 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 5 parts per billion (ppb), which is equal to 5 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 Herman Avenue Elementary School on 12/18/25. Of 61 samples tested, 10 sites in the building slightly exceeded the permissible limit (5 micrograms per liter) as defined by state law. The sites and the district's actions taken/actions planned are noted on the reverse side of this letter.

Lead test results for Herman Avenue Elementary School can be found on our district website:

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

As indicated, in order to ensure the quality of water in the school buildings, we have displayed signage at the sites with elevated lead levels that indicates they are for hand washing only or out of service. We will follow the NYS guidelines for remediation. We will then retest these 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) 255-8853.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Patrick Poirier'.

Patrick Poirier
Director of Facilities

Herman Avenue Elementary School Sample Location	Collection Date	Lead Results mcg/L (ppb)	Actions Taken	Actions Planned
KITCHEN SINK 3	12/18/25	0.0118	Sign posted indicating sink is for hand washing only	NYS guidelines for remediation, post-remediation sampling & testing
ROOM 111 BUBBLER	12/18/25	0.00795	Sign posted outlet is out of service	NYS guidelines for remediation, post-remediation sampling & testing
CLASSROOM 131 BUBBLER	12/18/25	0.00762	Sign posted outlet is out of service	NYS guidelines for remediation, post-remediation sampling & testing
CLASSROOM 124 BUBBLER	12/18/25	0.00561	Sign posted outlet is out of service	NYS guidelines for remediation, post-remediation sampling & testing
CLASSROOM 191 BUBBLER	12/18/25	0.00641	Sign posted outlet is out of service	NYS guidelines for remediation, post-remediation sampling & testing
CLASSROOM 213 SINK	12/18/25	0.0175	Sign posted indicating sink is for hand washing only	NYS guidelines for remediation, post-remediation sampling & testing
CLASSROOM 213 BUBBLER	12/18/25	0.0151	Sign posted outlet is out of service	NYS guidelines for remediation, post-remediation sampling & testing
CLASSROOM 214 SINK	12/18/25	0.00937	Sign posted indicating sink is for hand washing only	NYS guidelines for remediation, post-remediation sampling & testing
CLASSROOM 215 SINK	12/18/25	0.00810	Sign posted indicating sink is for hand washing only	NYS guidelines for remediation, post-remediation sampling & testing
ROOM 111A (IT) SINK	12/18/25	0.0284	Sign posted indicating sink is for hand washing only	NYS guidelines for remediation, post-remediation sampling & testing