

March 16th, 2023

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are writing to let you know that **Sutton Central Elementary School** recently completed testing for lead in drinking water. This is part of an ongoing effort related to New Hampshire's House Bill 1421, which requires school and child care facilities to test for lead in drinking water and to act when lead is found at levels at or above 5 parts per billion (ppb).

Lead is a toxic heavy metal that has a range of adverse health effects if inhaled or swallowed. Lead typically enters drinking water due to the wearing away of piping, faucets, fixtures and other plumbing materials. Lead rarely occurs naturally in New Hampshire's drinking water sources (groundwater or surface water).

Because lead is tasteless, odorless and colorless in drinking water, testing is a way to learn whether lead is present. It is important to sample each faucet or water fountain that is used for drinking or food prep because test results can vary between locations.

During recent testing, we collected samples from **25** drinking water outlets (e.g., drinking fountains, classroom faucets, kitchen sinks), with **2** samples testing at or above 5 ppb, the level where action must be taken.

We have removed access to these outlets until the problem can be corrected. The table below shows a list of all of the tested outlets, their locations, sample results and our planned remediation.

All sample results and additional resources from the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) can be viewed at gettheleadoutnh.org.

Sincerely,



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Outlet Number	Location	Sample Result (ppb)	Planned Remediation
R12201-21	Bubbler Adjacent Room 1	<1	No remediation necessary
R12201-22	Room 2	4.3	Resample and retest
R12201-23	Bottle Filler Adjacent Room 1	<1	No remediation necessary
R12201-24	Room 4	1.6	No remediation necessary
R12201-25	Kitchen 2 Bay Sprayer	<1	No remediation necessary
R12201-26	Room 13 Bath	<1	No remediation necessary
R12201-27	Kitchen Hand Sink	9.3	Plumbing corrections/ Faucet Replacement
R12201-28	Room 3 Sink	2.9	No remediation necessary
R12201-29	Room 13 Sink	<1	No remediation necessary
R12201-1	Boys Bathroom By Room 1	2.2	No remediation necessary
R12201-2	Boys Bathroom by Room 5 Left	<1	No remediation necessary
R12201-3	Boys Bathroom By Room 5 Right	<1	No remediation necessary
R12201-4	Room 1	4.3	Resample and retest
R12201-5	Room 5	1.9	No remediation necessary
R12201-9	Kitchen Prep Sink	<1	No remediation necessary
R12201-10	Nurses Sink	1.3	No remediation necessary
R12201-11	Outside Nurse Bottle Filler	<1	No remediation necessary
R12201-12	Outside Nurse Bubbler	<1	No remediation necessary
R12201-14	Staff Break Room	<1	No remediation necessary
R12201-15	Staff Bathroom	<1	No remediation necessary

Outlet Number	Location	Sample Result (ppb)	Planned Remediation
R12201-16	Girls Bathroom By Room 5 Right	4.4	Resample and retest
R12201-17	Kitchen 2 Bay Faucet	1.2	No remediation necessary
R12201-18	Girls Bathroom By Room 5 Left	<1	No remediation necessary
R12201-19	Girls Next To Room 1	5.7	Plumbing Corrections/ Faucet Replacement
R12201-20	Cafeteria	<1	No remediation necessary