

October 31, 2016

Dear Parents, Faculty and Community Residents,

As you are probably aware, the Glen Cove City School District has been conducting tests of the water in all district buildings in order to determine if sources contained elevated levels of lead.

Although schools were not mandated until this September to test for lead, the school district began testing last spring. We conducted this process in a thorough and logical manner which enabled us to develop a baseline for testing in our school buildings and to move forward with the development of a remediation plan, for use whenever found to be necessary.

The school district engaged Enviroscience Consultants, Inc., a well-regarded environmental consultant and testing firm, to collect samples of water in all our district buildings. Enviroscience tested all high-priority water outlets including drinking fountains, kitchen sinks, teacher's lounge sinks, nurse's office sinks and any other sinks visibly used for consumption. The testing of these samples was performed in accordance with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Protocols.

As the school district began receiving preliminary results from the testing laboratory, measures were taken to ensure that members of our school community did not drink from any water sources with levels above the threshold. These results from the first and second rounds of testing were posted and all recommendations have been enacted.

In early September, the New York State Department of Health promulgated new regulations which require testing of all possible sources of potable water in school buildings. As a result, an additional 122 locations were tested at all elementary schools which included all water outlets except toilets. As we receive information regarding the next round of testing, results will be provided upon receipt of what we hope will be the last round. As mandated, at this time, we are providing summary of all tested elementary locations.

Please note that although it is not mandated as part of the required remediation plan, we are proactively installing filtered water-bottle filling stations in each of our building, over the next few months. All of the water fountains that were tested in each of our buildings have resulted in the water being safe to drink. Nevertheless, based on a discussion with the Board of Education, we are moving forward with providing such equipment, even though it is not mandated, for all of our students and faculty.

Please be assured that the school district will continue to be vigilant in following all guidelines for the reporting and remediation of lead contamination.

Sincerely,



Dr. Maria L. Rianna
Superintendent of Schools

31 de octubre de 2016

Estimados Padres, Profesores y Residentes Comunitarios,

Como usted probablemente sabe, el Distrito Escolar de la Ciudad de Glen Cove ha estado realizando pruebas del agua en todos los edificios del distrito para determinar si las fuentes contenidas elevan los niveles de plomo.

Aunque las escuelas no fueron obligadas hasta este septiembre a probar el nivel de plomo, el distrito escolar comenzó a probar la primavera pasada. Hemos llevado a cabo este proceso de una manera completa y lógica que nos permitió desarrollar una línea de base para las pruebas en nuestros edificios escolares y para avanzar con el desarrollo de un plan de remediación, para su uso siempre que se considere necesario.

El distrito escolar contrató a Enviroscience Consultants, Inc., una reconocida consultora ambiental y firma de pruebas, para recolectar muestras de agua en todos nuestros edificios del distrito. Enviroscience probó todas las salidas de agua de alta prioridad incluyendo fuentes de agua potable, fregaderos de cocina, fregaderos del salón del profesor, fregaderos de la oficina de la enfermera y cualquier otro fregadero visiblemente usado para el consumo. Las pruebas de estas muestras se realizaron de acuerdo con los Protocolos de la Agencia de Protección Ambiental de Estados Unidos (EPA).

Cuando el distrito escolar comenzó a recibir los resultados preliminares del laboratorio de pruebas, se tomaron medidas para asegurar que los miembros de nuestra comunidad escolar no bebieran de fuentes de agua con niveles por encima del umbral. Estos resultados de la primera y segunda rondas de pruebas se publicaron y todas las recomendaciones se han promulgado.

A principios de septiembre, el Departamento de Salud del Estado de Nueva York promulgó nuevas regulaciones que requieren pruebas de todas las posibles fuentes de agua potable en los edificios escolares. Como resultado, se evaluaron 122 lugares adicionales en todas las escuelas primarias que incluyeron todas las salidas de agua excepto los baños. A medida que recibamos información sobre la próxima ronda de pruebas, los resultados se proporcionarán al recibir lo que esperamos sea la última ronda. Como está ordenado, en este momento, estamos proporcionando un resumen de todas las ubicaciones elementales probadas.

Tenga en cuenta que aunque no es obligatorio como parte del plan de remediación requerido, estamos instalando proactivamente estaciones de llenado de botellas de agua filtradas en cada uno de nuestros edificios, durante los próximos meses. Todas las fuentes de agua que se probaron en cada uno de nuestros edificios han dado como resultado que el agua sea segura para beber. Sin embargo, a partir de una discusión con la Junta de Educación, estamos avanzando en la provisión de ese equipo, aunque no sea obligatorio, para todos nuestros estudiantes y profesores.

Tenga la seguridad de que el distrito escolar continuará vigilando el cumplimiento de todas las directrices para la notificación y remediación de la contaminación por plomo.

Atentamente,



Dr. Maria L. Rianna
Superintendente de Escuelas

DISTRICT WIDE LEAD IN DRINKING WATER
GLEN COVE SCHOOL DISTRICT
SUMMARY REPORT - 10/17/2016

CONNOLLY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	
First Draw Samples Collected	60
First Draw Samples > 15 Parts Per Billion	15
Number of Sources Capped or Taken Off Line	0
Post Remediation Samples <= 15 PPB	4
Number of Sources Pending For Remediation	11
<i>Maximum Pb Concentration Observed</i>	<i>97</i>

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LANDING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	
First Draw Samples Collected	32
First Draw Samples > 15 Parts Per Billion	5
Number of Sources Capped or Taken Off Line	0
Post Remediation Samples <= 15 PPB	0
Number of Sources Pending For Remediation	5
<i>Maximum Pb Concentration Observed</i>	<i>40</i>

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GRIBBIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	
First Draw Samples Collected	53
First Draw Samples > 15 Parts Per Billion	2
Number of Sources Capped or Taken Off Line	0
Post Remediation Samples <= 15 PPB	1
Number of Sources Pending For Remediation	1
<i>Maximum Pb Concentration Observed</i>	29

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DEASY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	
First Draw Samples Collected	47
First Draw Samples > 15 Parts Per Billion	10
Number of Sources Capped or Taken Off Line	1
Post Remediation Samples <= 15 PPB	0
Number of Sources Pending For Remediation	9
<i>Maximum Pb Concentration Observed</i>	53