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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Starting with the 2016-17 school year, NJ school districts are required to test their drinking water for lead. New rules regarding lead testing in water were implemented by Governor Chris Christie after elevated lead levels were found last year in the water of several school districts, including Newark. Officials declare that potential exposure to lead-contaminated drinking water poses serious health risks.

Under the new rules adopted by the state, school districts in New Jersey that have not tested their drinking water for lead must do so within one year. These new regulations also mandate districts to test the water used for drinking and cooking at least once every six years.

These new regulations were passed by the State Board of Education on Wednesday, July 13, 2016. All NJ districts which test within a year of these new regulations are granted eligibility for reimbursement of testing costs through the state of NJ. Districts are also given the opportunity to apply for a one-year extension if their water has been tested within the past five years.

The Lyndhurst Public Schools conducted lead testing district wide from June 7, 2016 through June 9, 2016. There were fifty-two (52) samples taken and tested by McCabe Environmental Services, LLC.

We are pleased to report that only one (1) sink, located in the office of the high school athletic trainer, by the gymnasium, did not pass the lead test. This sink has been placed out of service and follow-up tests are being conducted, as required by regulation, to locate the origin of the problem and resolve it accordingly.

A complete report of each school's test results can be found on the respective school's website. Go to www.lyndhurstschools.net. and click on the tab of the school to view this information. If any further questions need to be answered, please contact David DiPisa, the School Business Administrator of the Lyndhurst Public Schools, at 201.438.5683 x4728.

Sincerely,

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