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Dear Roxborough High School Community,

As part of the School District of Philadelphia's effort to provide students and staff with safe, accessible, and appealing drinking water, your school's water was tested for lead on **October 27, 2022**. A trained technician collected samples from water outlets and the samples were sent to an accredited Pennsylvania laboratory for analysis. The action level used by the District is 10 parts per billion (ppb) of lead. If water exceeded this action level, the drinking water outlet was shut-off immediately and an action plan developed.

Federal studies indicate that children under the age of six are at the highest risk for harmful lead exposure, and children can be exposed to lead from a variety of sources, including paint, soil and even some consumer products. If you are concerned about your child's possible lead exposure risks, the Philadelphia Department of Public Health (PDPH) recommends contacting your pediatrician or neighborhood Health Center for testing. Additionally, PDPH's lead hotline can address any health-related questions you may have or help you in deciding whether to have your child tested; for questions or more information, please call (215) 685-2788. For additional information about lead and children you can visit www.cdc.gov/lead.

There were **26** outlets tested at your school. Of those outlets, **24** outlets produced water that was below the action level of 10 ppb. **Two (2)** water outlets were found to have results above the water safety threshold and these outlets were immediately shut-off.

An action plan is being developed to determine the best way to address the outlet(s) that was shut-off (if applicable to your school), including replacing the outlet with a new hydration station or, if the outlet is not needed because another outlet is available nearby, the outlet may be permanently removed from the school. Once a decision is made, the Maintenance Department will perform the new installation or remove the existing outlet.

The School District will test the drinking water at your school every five years and share the results through a letter and also post the results on the District's website. If you wish to review the results from your school and for more information, you may visit the District's website at: www.philasd.org/waterresults.

Sincerely,

Steve Link Environmental Director



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Sample Outlet Outlet Lead Result Action Floor POL **Outlet Description** Date Number Type (ppb) Limits 10/27/2022 00 99 HS Weight room <1 BA 1 10/27/2022 01 03 FP In kitchen 19 AA 1 10/27/2022 FP 01 04 IM In kitchen <1 1 BA 10/27/2022 07 FP 43 01 Sink in kitchen 1 AA FP 10/27/2022 01 11 Sink in kitchen 3 BA 1 10/27/2022 12 FP Sink in kitchen 3.5 01 1 BA H16- next to men's 10/27/2022 01 24 HS <1 1 BA staff bathroom 10/27/2022 01 25 HS Field house - first floor <1 1 BA 10/27/2022 01 27 HS H16- next to 109 <1 BA 1 10/27/2022 01 36 HS H13- outside kitchen <1 1 BA 131- in Gym 10/27/2022 HS 01 42 <1 BA 1 10/27/2022 47 HS H113- across room 119 01 <1 1 BA 119- sink in life skills FP 10/27/2022 01 48 1.1 1 BA room Field house - second 10/27/2022 02 26 HS <1 1 BA floor 10/27/2022 02 49 HS H26- next to 214 <1 1 BA 10/27/2022 02 57 HS H26- outside office <1 1 BA 10/27/2022 02 62 HS H23- next to room 235 <1 BA 1 10/27/2022 H23- next to room 230 <1 02 63 HS 1 BA 10/27/2022 02 69 HS H215- across room 221 <1 1 BA Outside cafeteria (right 10/27/2022 HS 03 22 <1 1 BA side) 10/27/2022 03 23 HS Across from room 125 5.3 BA 1 10/27/2022 77 H316- across room 324 03 HS <1 1 BA 10/27/2022 HS H36- next to 317 <1 03 86 1 BA 10/27/2022 03 87 HS H36- next to 309 <1 1 BA 10/27/2022 03 92 HS H33- outside 338 <1 BA 1 10/27/2022 03 93 HS H33- next to 333 <1 1 BA

Notes:

AA = Above Action limit of 10 ppb BA = Below Action limit of 10 ppb MDL = Method Detection Limit PQL = Practical Quantitation Limit

J = Result estimated below the PQL

< = not detected above PQL

ppb = parts per billion

Outlet Types:

WF = Water Fountain/Bubbler

HS = Hydration Station/Bottle Filling Station

- FT = Faucet/Tap
- FP = Food Prep/Pot-Filler/Kitchen Kettle
- IM = Ice-Maker