

BRIGANTINE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Brigantine School Community,

As you are aware from earlier correspondence, our school system conducted testing of the school district's water for lead to protect our community and be in compliance with the Department of Education regulations. The results of these tests were sent home and are also available on the District's website.

As a follow-up to those initial results, we completed a second round of required testing on those water outlets that were initially identified as higher than the 15 µg/l (parts per billion [ppb]) recommendation level provided by the NJ DOE and NJ DEP regulations. In the second round, non-flushed and flushed samples were taken. The first sample was taken once the source was "turned on" (Non-Flushed) and a second sample was taken after allowing the water to run for thirty seconds (Flushed). The results of these tests are detailed below.

Brigantine Elementary School

Thirty-six samples were taken at eighteen locations – the first was non-flushed and the second was flushed. All but four of the results tested below the 15ppb benchmark. This indicates that the elevated reading is coming from the immediate area of the faucet/outlet – lead was often used in plumbing materials until it was banned in 1986. Those outlets can and will be replaced. The water will remain shut off to these locations until the faucets are replaced and testing is completed to confirm the correction of the issue.

The four that tested with the elevated levels remain shut off as well. Those locations are listed below and signage is posted stating "DO NOT DRINK – SAFE FOR HANDWASHING ONLY". We are working with our facilities department and NJ DOE to determine our course of action for these outlets.

	LOCATION	Flushed Draw RESULT IN µg/l (ppb)	REMEDIAL ACTION
1	Room 245 ID# 41-BE-245-DW	19.2 ppb	Disconnected outlet and discontinued use. "DO NOT DRINK – SAFE FOR HANDWASHING ONLY" sign will be posted
2	Room 220 ID# 60-BE-220-DW	17.5 ppb	
3	Room 224 – Left ID# 66-BE-224L-DW	21.0 ppb	
4	Room 224 – Right ID# 68-BE-224R-DW	28.8 ppb	

Brigantine North Middle School

Twenty samples were taken at ten locations – the first was non-flushed and the second was flushed. All Brigantine North Middle School (10 locations) outlets tested below the 15ppb benchmark when flushed. This indicates that the elevated reading is coming from the immediate area of the faucet/outlet – lead was often used in plumbing materials until it was banned in 1986. Since the initial results were elevated, those outlets can and will be replaced. The water will remain shut off to these locations until the faucets are replaced and testing is completed to confirm the correction of the issue.

Our school system is committed to protecting student, teacher, and staff health. We will continue our efforts to protect our community and remain in compliance with the Department of Education.

For More Information

A copy of the test results is available in our central office for inspection by the public, including students, teachers, other school personnel, and parents, and can be viewed between the hours of 8:30 AM and 4:00 PM and are also available on our website at www.brigantineschools.org. For more information about water quality in our schools, contact the Business Administrator's Office at 609.266.3632.

For more information on reducing lead exposure around your home and the health effects of lead, visit EPA's Web site at www.epa.gov/lead, call the National Lead Information Center at 800-424-LEAD, or contact your health care provider.

If you are concerned about lead exposure at this facility or in your home, you may want to ask your health care providers about testing children to determine levels of lead in their blood.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several overlapping loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Brian M. Pruitt
Superintendent of Schools

CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS

Client: Coastal Environmental
721 Flittertown Rd
Hammonton NJ 08037

Report Date: 5/3/2017
Report No.: 534970 - Lead Water
Project: Brigantine Middle School; Confirmation I
Project No.:

Client: COA212

LEAD WATER SAMPLE ANALYSIS SUMMARY

Lab No.: 6215646 **Location:** Kitchen Braiser-Non Flushed **Result(ppb):** 43.4
Client No.: 1-BM-Kitchen-FP

Lab No.: 6215647 **Location:** Kitchen Braiser-Flushed **Result(ppb):** <2.00
Client No.: 2-BM-Kitchen FP

Lab No.: 6215648 **Location:** WC Near A8 Hall (R)-Non Flushed **Result(ppb):** 29.0
Client No.: 3-BM-HallA8R-WC

Lab No.: 6215649 **Location:** WC Near A8 Hall (R)-Flushed **Result(ppb):** 5.80
Client No.: 4-BM-HallA8R-WC

Lab No.: 6215650 **Location:** Rm C12 Sink-Non Flushed **Result(ppb):** 31.5
Client No.: 5-BM-C12-DW

Lab No.: 6215651 **Location:** Rm C12 Sink-Flushed **Result(ppb):** 2.00
Client No.: 6-BM-C12-DW


Lab No.: 6215652 **Location:** Rm C25 Sink-Non Flushed **Result(ppb):** 32.0
Client No.: 7-BM-C25-DW

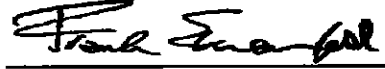
Lab No.: 6215653 **Location:** Rm C25 Sink-Flushed **Result(ppb):** 2.50
Client No.: 8-BM-C25-DW

Lab No.: 6215654 **Location:** Rm D11 Sink-Non Flushed **Result(ppb):** 21.2
Client No.: 9-BM-D11-DW

Lab No.: 6215655 **Location:** Rm D11 Sink-Flushed **Result(ppb):** 2.10
Client No.: 10-BM-D11-DW

Please refer to the Appendix of this report for further information regarding your analysis.

Date Received: 4/19/2017
Date Analyzed: 05/03/2017
Signature: 
Analyst: Chad Shaffer

Approved By: 
Frank E. Ehrenfeld, III
Laboratory Director

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LEAD WATER SAMPLE ANALYSIS SUMMARY

Lab No.: 6215656 **Location:** Rm D7 Sink-Non Flushed **Result(ppb):** 19.4
Client No.: 11-BM-D7-DW

Lab No.: 6215657 **Location:** Rm D7 Sink-Flushed **Result(ppb):** 4.70
Client No.: 12-BM-D7-DW

Lab No.: 6215658 **Location:** Rm D8 Sink-Non Flushed **Result(ppb):** 39.2
Client No.: 13-BM-D8-DW

Lab No.: 6215659 **Location:** Rm D8 Sink-Flushed **Result(ppb):** <2.00
Client No.: 14-BM-D8-DW

Lab No.: 6215660 **Location:** Rm D10 Sink-Non Flushed **Result(ppb):** 26.8
Client No.: 15-BM-D10-DW

Lab No.: 6215661 **Location:** Rm D10 Sink-Flushed **Result(ppb):** <2.00
Client No.: 16-BM-D10-DW


Lab No.: 6215662 **Location:** Rm D14 Sink-Non Flushed **Result(ppb):** 12.6
Client No.: 17-BM-D14-DW


Lab No.: 6215663 **Location:** Rm D14 Sink-Flushed **Result(ppb):** 2.10
Client No.: 18-BM-D14-DW

Lab No.: 6215664 **Location:** Rm E8 Sink-Non Flushed **Result(ppb):** 2.50
Client No.: 19-BM-E8-DW

Lab No.: 6215665 **Location:** Rm E8 Sink-Flushed **Result(ppb):** 6.50
Client No.: 20-BM-E8-DW

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Appendix to Analytical Report:

Customer Contact: Cathy Ledden

Analysis: AAS-GF - ASTM D3559-08D, USEPA 40CFR 141.11B, 2010

This appendix seeks to promote greater understanding of any observations, exceptions, special instructions, or circumstances that the laboratory needs to communicate to the client concerning the above samples. The information below is used to help promote your ability to make the most informed decisions for you and your customers. Please note the following points of contact for any questions you may have.

iATL Customer Service: customerservice@iatl.com

iATL Office Manager: cdavis@iatl.com

iATL Account Representative: Shirley Clark

Sample Login Notes: See Batch Sheet Attached

Sample Matrix: Water

Exceptions Noted: See Following Pages

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Information Pertinent to this Report:

Analysis by AAS Graphite Furnace:

- ASTM D3559-08D, USEPA 40CFR 141.11B, 2010

- USEPA 200.9Pb, AAS-GF, RL <2 ppb/sample

- USEPA SW 846-7000B:7421 - Pb(AAS-GF, RL <2 ppb/sample)

Certification:

- NYS-DOH No. 11021

- NJDEP No. 03863

Regulatory limit for lead in drinking water is 15.0 parts per billion as cited in EPA 40 CFR 141.11 National Primary Drinking Water Regulations, Subpart B: Maximum contaminant levels for inorganic chemicals.

All results are based on the samples as received at the lab. iATL assumes that appropriate sampling methods have been used and that the data upon which these results are based have been accurately supplied by the client.

Sample results are not corrected for contamination by field or analytical blanks.

PPB = Parts per billion. 1 µg/L = 1 ppb MDL = 0.24 PPB Reporting Limit (RL) = 2.0 PPB

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