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Dear Parent or Legal Guardian:

The District is committed to protecting the health and well-being of our students, teachers and staff. In compliance with the New York State Department of Health (NYS DOH) regulation titled *Lead Testing in School Drinking Water* (10 NYCRR Subpart 67-4), we recently performed an updated inventory of all water outlets in the school district and another round of sampling of all applicable water outlets. As you may be aware, these water outlets were previously tested in 2016.

Sampling of potable water outlets (water outlets used for cooking or drinking) was performed by our environmental consulting and testing firm. In an abundance of caution, the district also sampled non-potable outlets (water outlets not designated for cooking or drinking) throughout the school buildings. While not typically used as drinking water, it was decided that the sampling of these non-potable outlets be performed in the rare instance that a child might use them for drinking.

Any outlet which revealed concentrations of lead above the New York State's action level of 15 parts per billion has been removed from service or otherwise restricted until a proper action and/or remediation is performed.

Details pertaining to these outlets can be referenced on the district's website. As always, if you have any questions, comments or concerns, please contact the facilities department at 631-687-6480.

Sincerely,

Donna Jones, Ed.D.

Superintendent of Schools