



## CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION

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### CVES MISSION

*Champlain Valley Educational Services empowers students, schools and communities by providing exemplary education, training, support and shared services.*

October 20, 2016

Dear Parents and Staff Members:

On September 6, 2016, Governor Andrew Cuomo signed legislation requiring all school districts in New York State to test potable water systems for lead contamination and to take responsive actions. This law, and subsequent NYS Department of Health Regulations, requires samples to be drawn from elementary schools on or before September 30 and from middle and high schools on or before October 31. Here at Champlain Valley Educational Services (CVES), we collected samples at the Plattsburgh Satellite Campus on September 22, and at our Main Plattsburgh Campus on September 26. Samples are required to be "first draw" samples, which requires that the water remain motionless for at least eight (8) hours in the pipes and outlets (faucets, drinking fountains, etc.) before it is sampled.

The level of lead concentration at a water outlet that requires us to take action is above fifteen (15) parts per billion (.015 mg/L). Test results that were received by the CVES on October 3rd for the 12 outlets tested showed that none of the outlets at the Plattsburgh Satellite Campus were above this action level. Test results that were received by the CVES on October 11th for the 132 outlets tested showed that 11 of the outlets at the Main Plattsburgh Campus were above this action level. The locations, the concentration levels, and our immediate action plan for the outlets is listed below. All outlets identified as having concentration levels above .015 have already been replaced, as have their associated individual supply lines. **None** of the samples that required action were from drinking fountains. We will work with Department of Health officials to insure that retesting protocols, and clearance testing of the newly installed replacement outlets, are completed as required.

Please be assured that the health and wellness of our students and staff is our top priority, and that we will take all steps necessary to ensure that the water in our buildings is safe to drink.

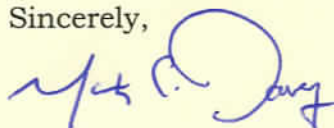
In addition to this notification, test results for all outlets in CVES school buildings will be posted on our website, [www.cves.org](http://www.cves.org), in the near future.

Results for the CVES Main Plattsburgh Campus:

Location	Concentration (parts per billion)	Action
Room 4260 Counseling Office sink	20 ppb	Sink has been labeled "Not potable water— <i>Do Not</i> use for drinking or cooking"; new fixture and supply lines have been installed.
Room 4470 Counseling Office sink	17 ppb	Sink has been labeled "Not potable water— <i>Do Not</i> use for drinking or cooking"; new fixture and supply lines have been installed.
Room 4070 Cafeteria Dish washing sink	19 ppb	Sink has been labeled "Not potable water— <i>Do Not</i> use for drinking or cooking"; new fixture and supply lines have been installed.
Room 3050 Restroom sink	19 ppb	Sink has been labeled "For hand washing only"; new fixture and supply lines have been installed.
Room 3160 Restroom sink	17 ppb	Sink has been labeled "For hand washing only"; new fixture and supply lines have been installed.
Room 3150 Gym storage area sink	32 ppb	Sink has been labeled "Not potable water— <i>Do Not</i> use for drinking or cooking"; new fixture and supply lines have been installed.
Room 3100 Restroom sink	19 ppb	Sink has been labeled "For hand washing only"; new fixture and supply lines have been installed.
Room 3070 Hand washing sink #1	34 ppb	Sink has been labeled "For hand washing only"; new fixture and supply lines have been installed.
Room 3070 Hand washing sink #2	18 ppb	Sink has been labeled "For hand washing only"; new fixture and supply lines have been installed.
Room 3250 Laundry sink	30 ppb	Sink has been labeled "Not potable water— <i>Do Not</i> use for drinking or cooking"; new fixture and supply lines have been installed.
Room 1070 Culinary dish washing sink	16 ppb	Sink has been labeled "Not potable water— <i>Do Not</i> use for drinking or cooking"; new fixture and supply lines have been installed.

If you have any questions regarding this process, please contact Jeff Sisson, the CVES Health, Safety, Risk Management Specialist at 561-0100.

Sincerely,



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District Superintendent of Schools



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cc: CVES Board of Cooperative Educational Services  
Jeff Sisson, Health, Safety, Risk Management Specialist