

BOLTON CENTRAL SCHOOL

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November 4, 2016

Dear Parents and Staff:

The health and safety of students and staff at Bolton Central School is our number one priority. On September 6, 2016 Governor Cuomo signed legislation which requires all public schools in New York State to test all potable water sources for lead. Bolton Central School District contracted with CNA Environmental Laboratories, Inc. to analyze water samples in accordance with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) 3-T's protocol.

On the morning of September 29, 2016 samples from a total of 42 sources of water were collected at the school and analyzed at CNA Laboratories, Inc. which is certified by the New York State Department of Health. The District obtained results on November 2, 2016. All sources tested, except the 4 noted below, are in compliance with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and New York State Department of Health Action Level for schools. The maximum contamination level (MCL) set by the EPA and NYSDOH is 15 parts per billion (ppb). Testing identified elevated lead levels at the following locations:

Location/Source	Lead Level – parts per billion (ppb)
Room 326 Laboratory Bench Faucet	43.4 ppb
Room 326 Counter Top Sink (Left)	15.7 ppb
Chemistry Laboratory Instructor Bench Faucet (Right)	23.4 ppb
Chemistry Laboratory Instructor Bench Faucet (Left)	24.0 ppb

Upon receiving the analytical results, the district took immediate action. All sinks were posted for hand washing use only as per guidance from the Department of Health. All identified sources of water will be remediated. Additionally the district contacted the New York State Department of Health and reported evaluated levels.

While we know that this information may cause some concern, we are taking the necessary steps to address the situation and confirm the safety of water throughout the district. There is nothing that we take more seriously than the well-being of our students and staff. Fortunately the cafeteria, all drinking fountains and locker rooms tested in compliance with Environmental Protection Agency and New York State Department of Health Action Level for schools.

We will keep you informed about this issue.

Sincerely,



Michael J. Graney
Superintendent