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Dear Highland Elementary School Parents, Students and Staff:

It is a priority of every school district to maintain a safe and healthy learning environment for its students, and clean water is no exception. In 1986, Congress banned the use of lead solder containing greater than 0.2% lead and restricted the lead content of faucets, pipes, and other plumbing materials. Lead is unusual among drinking water contaminants in that it seldom occurs naturally in water supplies like groundwater, rivers, and lakes. New laws that went into effect in 2014 reduced the amount of lead that plumbing fixtures can contain from 8% to 1%. Brass faucets, fittings and valves – including those advertised as “lead free” – may still contribute lead to drinking water.

The Lake Shore Central District is in compliance with New York State Public Health Laws requiring all schools and Boards of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) to test potable water outlets for lead contamination, to remediate contamination where found, and to notify parents of children and the public of test results. Levels of lead at any water outlet above 15 parts per billion (ppb) require action to remediate this issue.

As required, the Lake Shore Central District tested all water sources in the Highland Elementary School building for lead on September 24, 2016. As provided to us under specific protocols, first draw water samples were taken after letting the water remain unmoving in the pipes over a period of 8 to 18 hours. The results of this testing were received on October 14, 2016 and of the 82 water samples tested, only 15 showed lead levels above the 15 ppb mark.

Listed below are the areas that exceeded the threshold of 15 ppb:

Locations of Samples Analyzed at or above the NYS Action Level of 15 parts per billion			
Sample #	Classroom or other Location	Outlet type	Laboratory Analysis
104.3-7	Classroom 124	Sink	15.2
104.3-16	Classroom 135	Sink, not bathroom	32.8
104.3-17	Classroom 135	Bubbler	113
104.3-20	Classroom 132	Bubbler	32.7
104.3-37	Classroom 140	Sink	68.8
104.3-38	Classroom 140	Bubbler	44.0
104.3-66	Classroom 113	Sink	16.6
104.3-74	Classroom 112A	Sink	24.5
104.3-75	Classroom 111A	Sink	28.1
104.3-77	Classroom 111, resource room	Sink	51.6
104.3-80	Hose Bib, southeast next to stairs	Exterior Hose Bib	28.9
104.3-81	Hose Bib, 1994 wing boys lavatory	Exterior Hose Bib	24.7
104.3-82	Hose Bib, 1994 wing room 103	Exterior Hose Bib	25.7
104.3-83	Hose Bib, 1957 wing room 138	Exterior Hose Bib	35.2
104.3-84	Hose Bib, 1957 wing back side	Exterior Hose Bib	85.0

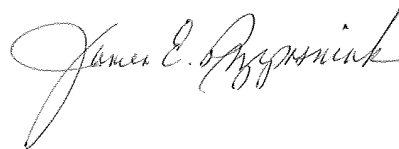
The Lake Shore Central School District is taking a number of steps to correct the problems noted. We have shut off the water supply to those fixtures used for drinking or cooking. Any water sources used for other purposes such as washing and general cleaning have been clearly labeled with warning signs not to be used for drinking or cooking. The next step is to develop a remediation plan that will be approved and guided by the experts in the field of water remediation. Please be assured that adequate water fountains are available throughout the building for student use.

The timetable for remediation of each of the identified sources will depend on the availability of parts, installation, and the process for retesting. It is important to note that none of the sources will be put back into service and available for drinking or cooking until the sources are fully mitigated and meet New York State Department of Health Standards.

A copy of the water testing results is available at the Highland Elementary School building's main office, which is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. Results are also posted on the District website at www.lakeshorecsd.org.

For more information about water quality and sampling for lead contact the Erie County Department of Health at 961-6800.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James E. Przepasniak". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "J".

James E. Przepasniak
Superintendent of Schools