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Dear Lake Shore Middle School Parents, Students and Staff:

It is a priority of every school district to maintain a safe and healthy learning environment for its staff & 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 Lake Shore Middle School for lead on October 23, 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 February 8, 2017 and of the 148 water samples tested, only 64 showed lead levels above the 15 ppb mark.

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

<b>Locations of Samples Analyzed at or above the NYS Action Level of 15 parts per billion</b>			
Sample #	Classroom or other Location	Outlet type	Laboratory Analysis
104.2-1 WMF	Pool Filter Room	Hose Bib	17.0
104.2-3	Room 312 Left Sink Closet to Door	Sink	47.7
104.2-4	Room 312 Left Sink Closet to Door	Sink	22.3
104.2-5	Room 312 Northeast Sink	Sink	48.5
104.2-6	Room 312 Northeast Sink	Sink	194
104.2-7	Room 312 Southeast Sink	Sink	20.6
104.2-8	Room 312 East Sink along south wall	Sink	56.2
104.2-9	Room 312 West Sink along south wall	Sink	42.8
104.2-14	Room 311 Outlet Closest to Door	Sink	22.6
104.2-16	Room 310	Sink	48.1
104.2-17	Room 310	Sink	102
104.2-18	Room 310	Sink	51.7
104.2-22	Janeitor's Closet Second Floor	Slop Sink	15.8
104.2-26	Room 328 (right sink, left not operational)	Sink	84.1
104.2-29	Room 330	Sink	22.8

104.2-30	Room 331	Sink	19.9
104.2-34	Janitor's Closet near Art Room	Sink	27.6
104.2-38	Room 332 (South Wall, East Sink)	Sink	67.5
104.2-45	Room 338 (Rm 340 on building floor plan)	Sink	35.7
104.2-47	Room 212 (North Sink)	Sink	20.8
104.2-49	Room 212 (North Sink)	Sink	36.0
104.2-50	Room 212 (South Wall, East Sink)	Sink	48.3
104.2-51	Room 212 (South Wall, West Sink)	Sink	37.2
104.2-56	Room 211	Sink	31.6
104.2-58	Room 211	Sink	19.1
104.2-59	Room 210	Sink	47.9
104.2-60	Room 210	Sink	35.4
104.2-61	Room 210	Sink	32.5
104.2-70	Auditorium Back Room	Sink	20.9
104.2-73	Lobby Women's Lavatory	Sink	16.4
104.2-78	Girls' Phys Ed Office	Sink	21.7
104.2-86	Girl's Lavatory across from Boy's Locker Rm	Sink	29.2
104.2-88	Boy's Lavatory across from Boy's Locker Rm	Sink	23.6
104.2-93	Kitchen (Northwest corner, left sink)	Sink	19.6
104.2-95	Kitchen (Southwest corner)		152
104.2-104	Faculty Lavatory Room 225	Sink	16.4
104.2-107	Kitchen Staff Women's Lavatory	Sink	18.2
104.2-113	Room 112 (Northwest sink)	Sink	40.0
104.2-114	Room 112 (Northwest sink)	Sink	25.0
104.2-115	Room 112 (Northwest sink)	Sink	19.2
104.2-116	Room 112 (Northeast sink)	Sink	58.6
104.2-117	Room 112 (Northeast sink)	Sink	37.6
104.2-118	Room 112 (Northeast sink)	Sink	37.6
104.2-119	Room 112 (Southeast sink)	Sink	33.1
104.2-120	Room 112 (Southeast sink)	Sink	25.5
104.2-121	Room 112 (Southeast sink)	Sink	25.6
104.2-122	Room 112 (Southwest sink)	Sink	22.9
104.2-123	Room 112 (Southwest sink)	Sink	24.2
104.2-124	Room 112 (Southwest sink)	Sink	61.3
104.2-125	Room 112 (South wall, west sink)	Sink	27.9
104.2-126	Room 112 (South wall, east sink)	Sink	648
104.2-136	Boy's Pool Locker Room (Wall next to filter Rm)	Sink	24.7
104.2-137	Boy's Pool Locker Room (near pool entrance)	Sink	32.1
104.2-138	Laundry Room	Sink	49.2
104.2-140	Girl's Pool Locker Room (left sink)	Sink	26.9
104.2-141	Girl's Pool Locker Room (right sink)	Sink	28.1
104.2-143	Closet next to Electric Room	Sink	31.9
104.2-144	Pool (right bubbler)	Bubbler	53.6
104.2-145	Exterior (loading dock)	Hose Bib	136
104.2-146	Exterior of Room 112	Hose Bib	134
104.2-147	Exterior of Rooms 106/107	Hose Bib	421

104.2-148	Exterior of Rooms 101-102	Hose Bib	118
104.2-149	Exterior of Auditorium	Hose Bib	25.9
104.2-150	Exterior of Gym and 2009 Addition	Hose Bib	67.3

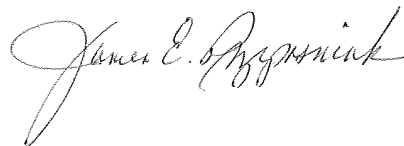
The Lake Shore Central School District is taking a number of steps to correct the problems noted. We have shut off the water supply to those fixtures used for drinking or cooking. Any water sources used for other purposes such as washing and general cleaning have been clearly labeled with warning signs 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 in the Lake Shore Middle School's main office, which is open Monday through Friday from 7:00 am to 3:30 pm. Results are also posted on the District website at [www.lakeshorecsd.org](http://www.lakeshorecsd.org).

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

Sincerely,



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