



Administrative Services

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Dear CiTi School Community,

The New York State Public Health Law and Regulations of the Commissioner of Education require school districts and BOCES to test school potable water sources for the existence of lead. The intent of these directives is to check outlets for lead contamination and trigger remediation plans for any outlets producing lead levels in excess of the defined limit. Amendments to these laws and regulations occurred in December 2022, wherein the actionable threshold for presence of lead was reduced from 15-ppb (parts per billion) to 5-ppb, and the required testing interval shortened from 5 years to 3 years, with the kickoff test for the new cycle to be completed by December 31, 2025.

In accordance with the revised regulations, CiTi has completed testing of all applicable water outlets on the CiTi main campus. Testing was conducted using the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency recommendations as described in their document "3Ts for Reducing Lead in Drinking Water in Schools." Samples were collected by certified technician and evaluated using a certified NYSDOH laboratory. The full report of the CiTi main campus testing results is available on the CiTi website, CiTiboces.org, and results for other leased locations will be provided when completed.

In addition, because your child/student attends a CiTi program located at the Hannibal Central School District, we are also including a copy of that district's notification letter regarding water testing results for their buildings.

CiTi is committed to the safety and health of our students and staff, which has and will continue to be our highest priority. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Mr. Terry Stoddard, Director of Facilities at (315) 963-4368.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Michael J. Sheperd'.

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