

ANDOVER CENTRAL

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SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Andover Central School Community,

On September 6, 2016 Governor Cuomo signed a law requiring all school districts to test for lead in all potable water fixtures used for drinking or cooking purposes. Levels of lead in any water outlet above 15 parts per billion (ppb) require action to remediate this issue.

As required, the Andover Central School District tested all water sources for lead on September 29, 2016 at 4:00 a.m. Consistent with regulatory requirements, first draw water samples were taken after letting the water remain unmoving in the pipes over a period of 8 to 18 hours.

In total, 132 samples were collected and sent to a certified lab for testing. We received the results from the lab on November 2, 2016. Building Grounds and Transportation Supervisor Mike Hulse and I met immediately to discuss the findings from the testing. **The results show that no drinking water outlets in our school building exceed the threshold of 15 ppb.** The report of our results states that we have 9 hand sink faucets that slightly exceed the threshold of 15 ppb with 7 of those located in one science lab:

- Hand Sink in Girls Pool Locker Room – 15.6 ppb
- Hand Sink in Room 351 – 29.8 ppb
- 7 Hand Sink Faucets in Room 222 Science Lab – levels from 22.9 to 173 ppb

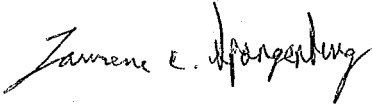
In response to the receipt of these test results, the water outlets that exceeded the recommended level have been clearly labeled with signs that they are not to be used for drinking water. As required by the law, we have notified the County Health Department of the results. They advised us to retest those areas that came back above the 15 ppb and after we receive those results back, if they are still above 15 ppb, to develop and implement a remediation plan. We have already determined a preliminary plan for corrective action if necessary and the timetable for remediation of each of the identified sources will depend on the availability of parts and installation. To put our results into perspective, many other school districts have received bbb results that are much higher than our water outlets. Our results show only slightly elevated bbb levels in non-drinking water outlets and these outlets can be easily remediated.

We want to assure you that the Andover Central School District is in compliance with all of the regulations and we are committed to providing a safe and healthy learning

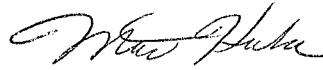
copy of the full report with our water testing results is available in the Superintendent's office and on the school district website at www.andovercsd.org.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Building Grounds and Transportation Supervisor, Mike Hulse, at 478-8491.

Sincerely,



Mr. Lawrence E. Spangenburg
Superintendent



Mr. Michael Hulse
Building Grounds and Transportation
Supervisor