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Dear Cairo-Durham Families,

As noted in a letter that was sent home on November 10, recent water testing at Cairo-Durham Middle/High School revealed four locations (of 112 samples taken) with evidence of lead levels above the New York State Department of Health standard of 15 parts per billion (ppb). Although most of the locations with elevated lead levels were not typically used for water consumption or food preparation, all were immediately shut off and taken out of service as a short-term safety measure.

We are pleased to notify you that after remediation, all water locations at CDMS/HS tested below the state threshold for lead and are safe for drinking. The areas identified at CDMS/HS received new fixtures and were re-tested in late November. The report received on December 6 indicated that all four areas showed lead levels of less than 1 ppb, well below the NYSDOH standard.

To view the complete lab reports, as well as all communications regarding water testing in our district, please visit www.cairodurham.org and click the "Water Testing" link in the menu on the left side of the page.

For the continued health and safety of our students and staff, all water outlets in each school building will be tested again for lead within the next five years. The District will keep you informed about future water testing and results, in accordance with the new state requirements.

Sincerely,

Superintendent of Schools