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Dear Parents, Guardians and Staff:

On September 6, 2016, Governor Cuomo signed new legislation requiring the testing of drinking water in New York Schools for lead levels. As a result of this legislation, we contacted the Oneida-Herkimer-Madison BOCES Safety Office and requested testing of applicable water fixtures for lead. The Safety Office is providing a full, comprehensive report of the sampling program, which includes a building survey of source locations, sampling, reporting, and follow-up assistance.

There were 84 water fixtures (drinking fountains, sinks, mop sinks, etc.) tested at the John Joy Elementary building on 4/22/2021. Of the 84 samples **0** showed lead levels at or above the allowable 15 ppb (parts per billion).

Sincerely,

Alex Rodriguez
Director of Facilities III

Additional Resources

For more information regarding the testing program or sampling results, contact Alex Rodriguez, Director of Facilities III at 315-334-7270, or go to our school website: <https://romecsd.org/>

For information about lead in school drinking water, go to:

http://www.health.ny.gov/environmental/water/drinking/lead/lead_testing_of_school_drinking_water.htm

<http://www.p12.nysed.gov/facplan/LeadTestinginSchoolDrinkingWater.html>

For information about NYS Department of Health Lead Poisoning Prevention, go to:

<http://www.health.ny.gov/environmental/lead/>

For more information on blood lead testing and ways to reduce your child's risk of exposure to lead, see "What Your Child's Blood Lead Test Means":

<http://www.health.ny.gov/publications/2526/> (available in ten languages).