



## Scarborough Public Schools

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RE: Water Testing Results  
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In accordance with a new Maine law, LD 153 (An Act to Strengthen Testing for Lead in School Drinking Water), I have sampled water from 75 water fixtures at Scarborough High School. 71 samples were taken on April 8, 2022, and 4 additional samples were drawn on April 14, 2022.

The fixtures sampled are used for drinking water or to prepare food. In some cases, I took a few samples from other fixtures, if I saw evidence that water from a sink might be used for making coffee or tea or for filling a water bottle.

I did not sample, as a general rule, water taken from bathroom lavatories or Science lab sinks, although I did test Science teacher prep room sinks. I did not test wash sinks such as custodial room floor sinks. All kitchen fixtures used for food preparation were tested as were all drinking fountains and faculty break room sinks. I have enclosed the full list with the results.

The good news is that all drinking fixtures and kitchen fixtures were below 4 parts per billion (ppb). While no lead level in water has necessarily been deemed safe to drink, mitigation is only recommended or required by the Maine CDC when levels above 4 ppb are present. The bad news is that there were nine (9) fixtures that tested above the 4 ppb level. *See full test results attached.* These fixtures will require further testing to determine where lead may be entering the water stream. In the meantime, a "DO NOT DRINK" sign will be placed on these fixtures. Once the source of lead is determined, I will create a mitigation plan.

All water sample results will be posted publicly, and schools may choose to send this information home with students. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me directly via email: [tjepson@scarboroughschools.org](mailto:tjepson@scarboroughschools.org)