

A NOTICE TO PARENTS, GUARDIANS, and STAFF
Beekmantown Central School District
Lead Testing of School Drinking Water
May 20, 2021

On September 6, 2016, Governor Andrew M. Cuomo signed into law Chapter 296 of the Laws of 2016 requiring all public school districts and Boards of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES)(referred to as “schools” herein) in New York State (NYS) to test drinking water for lead contamination, and to take remedial action if lead exceeded the actionable threshold. Only those public schools and BOCES buildings with internal plumbing that meet the definition of lead-free as defined by the federal Reduction of Lead in Drinking Water Act are exempt from testing.

The action level for lead in school drinking water is 15 micrograms per liter (mcg/L) or parts per billion (ppb), which is also equivalent to 0.015 milligrams per liter (mg/L) or parts per million (ppm).

A revised Sampling Plan was developed following an extensive inventory and identification of all District Wide water outlets. All water outlets were either determined to be “applicable” or “nonapplicable” following the guidance described by the established regulations.

The Beekmantown Central School District completed the required NYSDoH Lead Testing in School Drinking Water of all applicable water outlets between the dates of April 15-22, 2021. All water outlets that were determined to be outside the scope of the regulation(nonapplicable) are annotated on the District’s Lead Remedial Action Plan.

All samples collected for lead testing as part of Subpart 67-4 were “first-draw” samples. A “first draw” sample is a water sample collected from an outlet early in the morning before any water is used from that outlet. The water shall be motionless in the pipes for a minimum of 8 hours, but not more than 18 hours, prior to first-draw sample collection.

The water outlets that exceeded the action level are listed below:

Outlet Sample #	Outlet Location	Outlet Type	Initial (ppb)	Remedial Actions
#74 Main	MS Cafe Hand Sink	Sink Faucet	23.6	Taken Out of Service Pending Retesting
#54 CHES	Room 306 Sink	Sink Faucet	17.3	Taken Out of Service Pending Retesting
#30 CHES	Room 102 Sink	Sink Faucet	23.9	Taken Out of Service Pending Retesting
# 11 CHES	Kitchen Hose	Wash Down Hose	22.2	Posted for Wash Down Only

The NYS Department of Health (NYS DOH) issued regulations, Subpart 67-4 of Title 10 of the Codes, Rules, and Regulations of the State of New York to conform with Chapter 296 of the Laws of 2016. The regulation (Subpart 67-4) can be found at:
<https://regs.health.ny.gov/volume-1a-title-10/1942050456/subpart-67-4-lead-testing-school-drinking-water>.

For more information regarding the testing program or sampling results, contact Dan Noonan at 518-563-8250, or go to the District Web Site [.bcsdk12.org](http://bcsdk12.org)