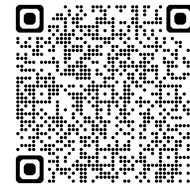


Scan the QR Code for information and resources for parents on the health effects of lead exposure.



Or visit the [NH Department of Health and Human Services webpage](#) learn more.

May 28, 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are writing to let you know that the Cardigan Mountain School recently completed testing for lead in drinking water. This is part of an ongoing effort related to New Hampshire state law RSA 485:17-a, which requires school and child care facilities to test for lead in drinking water and to act when lead is found at levels at or above 5 parts per billion (ppb).

Lead is a toxic heavy metal that has a range of adverse health effects if inhaled or swallowed. Lead rarely occurs naturally in New Hampshire's drinking water sources (groundwater or surface water) and typically enters drinking water due to the wearing away of piping, faucets, fixtures and other plumbing materials.

Because lead is tasteless, odorless and colorless in drinking water, testing is the only way to learn whether lead is present. It is important to sample each faucet or water fountain that is used for drinking or food prep because test results can vary between locations.

During recent testing, we collected samples from 223 drinking water outlets (e.g., drinking fountains, classroom faucets, kitchen sinks), with 44 samples testing at or above 5 ppb, the level where action must be taken.

We have removed access to these outlets until the problem can be corrected. The table below shows a list of all the tested outlets, their locations, sample results and our planned remediation.

<b>Outlet Number</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Sample Result (ppb)</b>	<b>Planned Remediation</b>
<b>21320-1</b>	Brewster Kitchenette	3100	Kitchenette no longer in use; Removed
<b>21320-3</b>	Brewster West Bathroom Left Sink	9.1	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-4</b>	Brewster West Bathroom Right Sink	17	Handwash Only sign posted

<b>21329-7</b>	Brewster Bathroom Middle Sink	57	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-26</b>	Hinman Room 126 Sink	14	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-37</b>	French Boys Bathroom Right Sink	150	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-38</b>	French Boys Bathroom Left Sink	82	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-59</b>	Funnell Common Area Sink	26	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-69</b>	Greenwood Common Area Sink	6.7	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-70</b>	Greenwood Boys Bathroom Left Sink	20	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-71</b>	Greenwood Boys Bathroom Right Sink	6	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-99</b>	Tuner Snack Bar Sink	6.1	Snack Bar no longer in use. Sink removed
<b>21320-110</b>	Marion Large Bathroom Right Sink	11	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-113</b>	Marion Visiting Team Room 2 Sink	5.9	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-115</b>	Marion West Side Waterboy	24	Waterboy removed from service

<b>21320-118</b>	Commons Boys Bathroom Left Sink	13	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-119</b>	Commons Boys Bathroom Right Sink	15	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-120</b>	Commons Girls Bathroom Left Sink	16	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-121</b>	Commons Girls Bathroom Right Sink	42	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-126</b>	Commons School Store Sink	210	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-131</b>	Commons Lower Girls Room Left Sink	9	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-132</b>	Commons Lower Girls Room Right Sink	12	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-138</b>	Commons Kitchen West Hand Sink	7.4	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-140</b>	Commons Kitchen East Hand Wash Sink	5.5	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-141</b>	Commons Kitchen Coffee Station Left Sink	23	Fixture will be replaced; Handwash Only sign temporarily installed

<b>21320-152</b>	Hopkins Breakroom Sink	13	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-169</b>	Bronfman Storage Sink	550	Sink no longer in use; Will be removed
<b>21320-173</b>	Chapel Adult Restroom Sink	77	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-174</b>	Chapel Student Restroom Sink	200	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-202</b>	Stoddard Sink; Left of Bubbler	18	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-203</b>	Stoddard Sink; Right of Bubbler	5.6	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-204</b>	Stoddard Costume Rm 1 Sink	32	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-205</b>	Stoddard Costume Rm 2 Sink	200	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-206</b>	Stoddard Mens Bathroom Left Sink	55	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-207</b>	Stoddard Men's Bathroom Right Sink	23	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-208</b>	Stoddard Womens Room Left Sink	70	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-209</b>	Stoddard Women's Room Right Sink	42	Handwash Only sign posted

<b>21320-210</b>	Stoddard Library Sink	17	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-212</b>	Stoddard S. Wing Men's Bathroom Left Sink	6.6	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-213</b>	Stoddard S. Wing Men's Bathroom Right Sink	13	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-214</b>	Stoddard S. Wing Women's Bathroom Sink	43	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-217</b>	Franklin Bathroom	8.1	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-221</b>	Stoddard Library Staff Sink	380	Handwash Only sign posted
<b>21320-222</b>	Stoddard 303 Bathroom	14	Handwash Only sign posted

All sample results and additional resources from the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) can be viewed at [gettheleadoutnh.org](http://gettheleadoutnh.org).

Sincerely,

Chris Day, Head of School  
 Joe Roberts, Director of Facilities