

Subject: Lead Update for Maryland Avenue Montessori

Dear Maryland Avenue Montessori Families,

In our continued efforts to keep the Maryland Avenue Montessori community informed, we want to provide an update on the lead testing results and the steps being taken to ensure a safe learning environment.

An inspection by the Milwaukee Health Department (MHD) identified lead hazards in several areas of the building. In response, MPS is following MHD's recommendations for remediation and maintenance.

What Is Happening Now?

- Stabilization of painted surfaces took place after school on Tuesday, March 4.
- 11 rooms were identified for stabilization, which includes repainting areas that have deteriorated surfaces.
- Next, our school will be deep cleaned to further reduce any potential lead dust.
- Once remediation is complete, the health department will conduct follow-up testing to ensure lead dust levels meet safety standards.

Next Steps and What Families Should Know

- The health department will review the follow-up test results and work with MPS to determine whether further remediation is necessary.
- Families can expect updates as the process moves forward. We do not anticipate any school closure at this time.
- Parents who have concerns about lead exposure are encouraged to have their child tested. Testing is available through your child's primary care provider.

Where to Find More Information

For information on lead testing schedules, lead safety, and resources, visit the [MHD Home Environmental Health webpage](#).

MHD has a dedicated webpage for MPS lead updates at milwaukee.gov/MPS-Lead, and MPS also has a [webpage for lead updates, information, and resources](#).

The safety of our students and staff remains a top priority. We appreciate your patience and partnership as we work to ensure a safe school environment. We will continue to provide updates as more information becomes available.

Sincerely,

Office of School Administration