

A NOTICE TO PARENTS, GUARDIANS, and STAFF

Beekmantown Central School District Lead Testing of School Drinking Water April 16, 2025

Safe and healthy school environments can foster healthy and successful children. To protect public health, the Public Health Law and New York State Health Department (NYS DOH) regulations require that all public schools and boards of cooperative educational services (BOCES) test lead levels in water from every outlet that is being used, or could potentially be used, for drinking or cooking.

The action level for lead in school drinking water is 5 micrograms per liter ug/L or 5 parts per billion (ppb), which is also equivalent to 0.005 milligram per liter (mg/L) or parts per million.

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 “non applicable” 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 at the Main Building on March 22, 2025. All water outlets that were determined to be outside the scope of the regulation (nonapplicable) are annotated on the Districts 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:

Sample Date	Outlet Location	Outlet Type	Sample ID #	Initial (ppb)	Remedial Actions
03/22/25	MB Kitchen	Hand Sink	78	11.7	signage
03/22/25	MB Kitchen	Water Tap	84	70	Taken out of Service pending further action
03/22/25	MS Room 216	Sink	103	5.6	Taken out of Service pending further action

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 test program or sampling results, contact Daniel Noonan at 518-324-2988, or go to our school website: bcsdk12.org.

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

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