



# BERLIN BROTHERSVALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parents, Guardians, Staff, and Members of the Berlin Brothersvalley School District Community:

The Berlin Brothersvalley School District is committed to maintaining a safe and healthy learning environment for all students and staff. As part of our ongoing efforts to monitor the safety of our school facilities, the District recently received the results of lead testing conducted at Berlin Brothersvalley Elementary School. On October 7, 2026, a total of 22 water samples were collected from classroom faucets, or sinks, throughout the elementary school. The laboratory results indicate that 14 of the 22 classroom sink samples had lead concentrations above the established action limit of 5 parts per billion (ppb). The remaining eight samples were at or below that action limit.

It is important to clarify that these results pertain specifically to classroom sinks and faucets, not drinking fountains or bottle-filling stations. The outlets identified in these results are classroom sinks, which are generally intended for activities such as handwashing and classroom use rather than as designated sources of drinking water. This communication addresses the results from the classroom sink testing described above and should not be interpreted as a statement about the results of other types of water outlets.

Upon receiving the results, the District is following the recommended response procedures and has identified the affected sinks for immediate attention. The 14 classroom faucets with results above the action limit are to remain turned off until further notice. These outlets will not be returned to service until the appropriate next steps have been determined. The District will continue working with its testing provider, TerraPhase, and appropriate state agencies to review the results, evaluate the affected fixtures, and determine the necessary corrective actions. The affected classroom sinks are located in the following rooms:

| Sample Date | Sample ID | Outlet Description          | Lead Result (ppb) | Action Limit (5 ppb) |
|-------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| 10-07-2026  | 2787      | Classroom Faucet; Rm E001   | 2.1               | Below                |
| 10-07-2026  | 2788      | Classroom Faucet; Rm E003   | 7.7               | <b>Above</b>         |
| 10-07-2026  | 2789      | Classroom Faucet; Rm E004   | 27.1              | <b>Above</b>         |
| 10-07-2026  | 2790      | Classroom Faucet; Rm E005   | 10.8              | <b>Above</b>         |
| 10-07-2026  | 2791      | Classroom Faucet; Rm E006   | 33                | <b>Above</b>         |
| 10-07-2026  | 2792      | Classroom Faucet; Rm E007   | 5.2               | <b>Above</b>         |
| 10-07-2026  | 2793      | Classroom Faucet; Rm 1(Kdg) | 7.5               | <b>Above</b>         |
| 10-07-2026  | 2794      | Classroom Faucet; Rm E049   | 21.9              | <b>Above</b>         |
| 10-07-2026  | 2795      | Classroom Faucet; Rm E050   | 6.1               | <b>Above</b>         |

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|------------|------|---------------------------|------|--------------|
| 10-07-2026 | 2796 | Classroom Faucet; Rm E048 | 2.5  | Below        |
| 10-07-2026 | 2797 | Classroom Faucet; Rm E047 | 5.2  | <b>Above</b> |
| 10-07-2026 | 2798 | Classroom Faucet; Rm E046 | 2.7  | Below        |
| 10-07-2026 | 2799 | Classroom Faucet; Rm E013 | 15.6 | <b>Above</b> |
| 10-07-2026 | 2800 | Classroom Faucet; Rm E014 | 2.4  | Below        |
| 10-07-2026 | 2801 | Classroom Faucet; Rm E015 | 2.5  | Below        |
| 10-07-2026 | 2802 | Classroom Faucet; Rm E016 | 5.2  | <b>Above</b> |
| 10-07-2026 | 2803 | Classroom Faucet; Rm E017 | 4.5  | Below        |
| 10-07-2026 | 2804 | Classroom Faucet; Rm E018 | 8.7  | <b>Above</b> |
| 10-07-2026 | 2805 | Classroom Faucet; Rm E019 | 4.8  | Below        |
| 10-07-2026 | 2806 | Classroom Faucet; Rm E024 | 12.3 | <b>Above</b> |
| 10-07-2026 | 2807 | Classroom Faucet; Rm E025 | < 1  | Below        |
| 10-07-2026 | 2808 | Classroom Faucet; Rm E020 | 6.5  | <b>Above</b> |

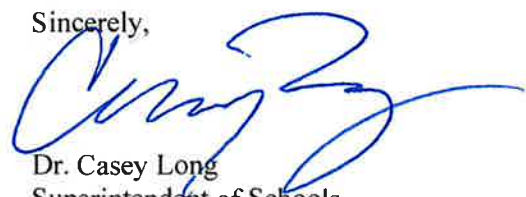
The action limit used for this testing is 5 ppb. Results above that limit require appropriate follow-up and corrective action. A result above the action limit does not, by itself, establish the extent of any individual's exposure or indicate that a health effect has occurred. We recognize that any notification involving lead can be concerning for families and employees. We believe that clear, timely communication is essential, and we will continue to share information as we work through the next steps.

We encourage families and staff to review the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection's lead testing program frequently asked questions for additional information:

<https://www.padepleadtestingprogram.org/faqs>.

The District will provide additional updates as more information becomes available and corrective actions are determined. Questions regarding this notification may be directed to the Berlin Brothersvalley School District administration. Thank you for your continued trust, patience, and support as we work to maintain a safe environment for our students and staff.

Sincerely,



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