

October 6, 2016

Dear Little Village families,

In light of national events that have brought increased attention to the issue of water quality, the City of Chicago announced several additional precautionary measures that will be added to the City's water testing protocol, continuing the City's track record of complying with current state and federal regulations as well as exceeding industry standards.

As part of this announcement, Chicago Public Schools (CPS) began testing the water for levels of lead from all schools across the district. Our top priority is the health and safety of our students and staff, and this testing was initiated out of an abundance of caution to ensure the water in our schools is safe. Schools are being tested based on a priority criteria that includes the age of the school, age of the students (with priority given to schools with pre-K programs), presence of a kitchen (where meals are prepared) and presence of pipes that could need repairs or replacement.

The results of all the schools are coming in on a rolling basis, and the majority have had levels under the EPA's action level of 15 parts per billion (ppb). At Little Village samples were tested from 24 sites and the water sampled from a sink on the first floor inside Room 103 and a drinking fountain on the first floor inside Room 105 were above the action level of 15 ppb. The water from the sink and fountain have been turned off and remediation plans are being created.

Chicago's water supply is free of lead when it leaves the treatment plant. However, lead can be found in some interior plumbing fixtures and materials, and lead found in tap water usually comes from the corrosion of these items. This explains why only two of the samples at Little Village returned with elevated results – the issue is not system-wide, but is specific to the fixtures or pipes for that sink and fountain, and will be addressed though the remediation plan. The full results of every school's water samples can be found online at cps.edu/leadtesting.

Federal guidance indicates that children under the age of six are at the highest risk for harmful lead exposure, and they can be exposed to lead from a variety of sources, including paint, soil and even some consumer products. If you are concerned about your child's possible lead exposure risks, the Chicago Department of Public Health (CDPH) recommends going to your pediatrician or one of the local health care providers listed in the attachment for testing. Additionally, CDPH's lead hotline can address any health related questions you may have or help you in deciding whether to have your child tested; for questions or more information, please call 312-747-5323. For additional information about lead and children, visit www.cdc.gov/lead.

The safety of your children is our highest priority, and we are doing everything in our power to address this situation in a quick and thorough manner. We will continue to keep you and your family informed throughout this process.

Sincerely,

Forrest Claypool

CEO, Chicago Public Schools

Dr. Julie Morita

Commissioner, Chicago Department of Public Health



6 de octubre de 2016

Estimadas familias de la escuela Little Village,

Ante recientes eventos nacionales que han aumentado la atención sobre el tema de la calidad del agua, la ciudad de Chicago anunció varias medidas de precaución adicionales que se sumarán al protocolo de la ciudad sobre control del agua, en cumplimiento de las regulaciones estatales y federales, así como de los estándares industriales

Como parte de este anuncio, las Escuelas Públicas de Chicago (CPS) comenzaron a examinar los niveles de plomo en el agua de las escuelas de todo el distrito. Nuestra prioridad máxima es la salud y seguridad de los estudiantes y del personal, y estas pruebas se iniciaron como precaución para estar seguros de la calidad del agua de las escuelas. Las pruebas se realizan según un criterio de prioridad que incluye la edad del edificio, edad de los estudiantes (con prioridad para las escuelas con programas de preescolares), la presencia de una cocina (donde se preparan alimentos) y de cañerías que puedan necesitar reparación o reemplazo.

Los resultados de todas las escuelas se han ido conociendo, y la mayoría registró niveles por debajo del nivel de acción de EPA que es de 15 partículas por billón (ppb). En Little Village se tomaron muestras en 24 lugares y el agua de una pileta del primer piso, en el salón 103, y de un bebedero en el primer piso, salón 105, tenía rastros de plomo por encima del nivel de acción de 15 ppb. El suministro de agua de estos dispositivos fue interrumpido y se están creando planes para remediar la situación.

El agua de Chicago no tiene plomo cuando sale de la planta de tratamiento. Sin embargo, se puede encontrar en algunas cañerías internas y materiales, y el plomo encontrado en el agua potable es provocado usualmente por la corrosión de las cañerías. Esto explica por qué solamente dos de las muestras de Little Village registraron niveles elevados. Este no es problema general, sino específico de las cañerías de esos dispositivos, y será solucionado. Los resultados completos de cada escuela se pueden ver en línea en cps.edu/leadtesting.

Los lineamientos federales indican que los niños menores de seis años son los que corren mayores riesgos con la exposición al plomo, algo que puede ocurrir de varias fuentes, incluyendo pintura, tierra y algunos productos de consumo. Si están preocupados por la posible exposición de su hijo al plomo, el Departamento de Salud Pública de la ciudad de Chicago (CDPH) recomienda visitar a su pediatra o a alguno de los centros de salud listados en el material adjunto, para una prueba. Además, la línea directa del CDPH puede responder cualquier pregunta que tengan, o ayudarlos a decidir si su niño debe ser examinado; por preguntas o más información, llame por favor al 312-747-5323. Por información adicional sobre el plomo y los niños, visite www.cdc.gov/lead.

La seguridad de sus hijos es nuestra principal prioridad, y hacemos todo lo que está en nuestro poder para resolver esta situación de una manera rápida y rigurosa. Continuaremos informándoles sobre este proceso.

Atentamente.

Forrest Claypool

CEO, Escuelas Públicas de Chicago

Dra. Julie Morita, Comisionada

Departamento de Salud Pública de Chicago





School Short Name
Date of test

Little Village 09/23/16

Facility ID	Sample ID#	Sample Location	Sample Collection Time & Date	Test Result (ppb)	Test Results
51264	51264-1-KIT-KS01-001	Main- Kitchen Center, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	<0.120	ND
51264	51264-1-KIT-KS01-002	Main- Kitchen Center, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	<0.120	ND
51264	51264-1-KIT-KS01-003	Main- Kitchen Center, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	<0.120	ND
51264	51264-1-KIT-KS01-004	Main- Kitchen Center, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	<0.120	ND
51264	51264-1-KIT-KS01-005	Main- Kitchen Center, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	<0.120	ND
51264	51264-1-KIT-KS02-001	Main-Kitchen West Wall, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.901	BA
51264	51264-1-KIT-KS02-002	Main-Kitchen West Wall, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.382	BA
51264	51264-1-KIT-KS02-003	Main-Kitchen West Wall, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.957	BA
51264	51264-1-KIT-KS02-004	Main-Kitchen West Wall, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.563	BA
51264	51264-1-KIT-KS02-005	Main-Kitchen West Wall, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.19	BA
51264	51264-1-HAL-F03-001	Main- Across Room 105, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	<0.120	ND
51264	51264-1-HAL-F03-002	Main- Across Room 105, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	<0.120	ND
51264	51264-1-HAL-F03-003	Main- Across Room 105, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	<0.120	ND
51264	51264-1-HAL-F03-004	Main- Across Room 105, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	<0.120	ND
51264	51264-1-HAL-F03-005	Main- Across Room 105, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	<0.120	ND
51264	51264-1-105-F04-001	Main- Inside Room 105 Left, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	19.7	AA
51264	51264-1-105-F04-002	Main- Inside Room 105 Left, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	1.93	BA
51264	51264-1-105-F04-003	Main- Inside Room 105 Left, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.934	BA
51264	51264-1-105-F04-004	Main- Inside Room 105 Left, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	1.19	BA
51264	51264-1-105-F04-005	Main- Inside Room 105 Left, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.716	BA
51264	51264-1-105-S05-001	Main- Inside Room 105 Center, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	2.42	BA
51264	51264-1-105-S05-002	Main- Inside Room 105 Center, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.817	BA
51264	51264-1-105-S05-003	Main- Inside Room 105 Center, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.91	BA
51264	51264-1-105-S05-004	Main- Inside Room 105 Center, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.894	BA
51264	51264-1-105-S05-005	Main- Inside Room 105 Center, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.93	BA
51264	51264-1-104-S07-001	Main- Inside Room 104 Left, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	4.41	BA
51264	51264-1-104-S07-002	Main- Inside Room 104 Left, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	1.01	BA
51264	51264-1-104-S07-003	Main- Inside Room 104 Left, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.788	BA
51264	51264-1-104-S07-004	Main- Inside Room 104 Left, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.799	BA
51264	51264-1-104-S07-005	Main- Inside Room 104 Left, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.728	BA
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51264	51264-1-104-S08-003	Main- Inside Room 104 Center, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	1.16	BA
51264	51264-1-104-S08-004	Main- Inside Room 104 Center, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	1.88	BA
51264	51264-1-104-S08-005	Main- Inside Room 104 Center, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	2.08	BA
51264	51264-1-104-F09-001	Main- Inside Room 104 Right, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.176	BA
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51264	51264-1-104-F09-003	Main- Inside Room 104 Right, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.167	BA

51264	51264-1-104-F09-004	Main- Inside Room 104 Right, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.202	BA
51264	51264-1-104-F09-005	Main- Inside Room 104 Right, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	<0.120	ND
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51264	51264-1-103-F10-002	Main- Inside Room 103 Left, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.401	BA
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51264	51264-1-103-F10-004	Main- Inside Room 103 Left, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.409	BA
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51264	51264-1-103-S11-002	Main- Inside Room 103 Center, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.607	BA
51264	51264-1-103-S11-003	Main- Inside Room 103 Center, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.632	BA
51264	51264-1-103-S11-004	Main- Inside Room 103 Center, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.461	BA
51264	51264-1-103-S11-005	Main- Inside Room 103 Center, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	1.03	BA
51264	51264-1-103-S12-001	Main- Inside Room 103 Right, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	15.3	AA
51264	51264-1-103-S12-002	Main- Inside Room 103 Right, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	6.72	BA
51264	51264-1-103-S12-003	Main- Inside Room 103 Right, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	6.43	BA
51264	51264-1-103-S12-004	Main- Inside Room 103 Right, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	4.3	BA
51264	51264-1-103-S12-005	Main- Inside Room 103 Right, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.974	BA
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51264	51264-1-102-S13-002 51264-1-102-S13-003	Main- Inside Room 102 Left, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.643	BA
51264	51264-1-102-S13-003 51264-1-102-S13-004	Main- Inside Room 102 Left, Sink Main- Inside Room 102 Left, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.043	BA
51264	51264-1-102-S13-005	Main- Inside Room 102 Left, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.22	BA
51264	51264-1-102-S14-001	Main- Inside Room 102 Center, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	1.29	BA
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51264	51264-1-102-S14-003	Main- Inside Room 102 Center, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	1.9	BA
51264	51264-1-102-S14-004	Main- Inside Room 102 Center, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	1.05	BA
51264	51264-1-102-S14-005	Main- Inside Room 102 Center, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.414	BA
51264	51264-1-102-F15-001	Main- Inside Room 102 Right, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.164	BA
51264	51264-1-102-F15-002	Main- Inside Room 102 Right, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.389	BA
51264	51264-1-102-F15-003	Main- Inside Room 102 Right, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	5.03	BA
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51264	51264-1-102-F15-005	Main- Inside Room 102 Right, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.93	BA
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51264	51264-1-101-S17-002	Main- Inside Room 101 Center, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.291	BA
51264	51264-1-101-S17-003	Main- Inside Room 101 Center, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.599	BA
51264	51264-1-101-S17-004	Main- Inside Room 101 Center, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.265	BA
51264	51264-1-101-S17-005	Main- Inside Room 101 Center, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.254	BA
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51264	51264-1-101-S18-003	Main- Inside Room 101 Left, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.237	BA
51264	51264-1-101-S18-004	Main- Inside Room 101 Left, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.256	BA
51264	51264-1-101-S18-005	Main- Inside Room 101 Left, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.236	BA
51264	51264-1-101-518-005 51264-1-TL-S19-001	Main- Teachers Lounge, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.186	BA BA
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51264	51264-1-TL-S19-002	Main- Teachers Lounge, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.2	BA
51264	51264-1-TL-S19-003	Main- Teachers Lounge, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.199	BA
51264	51264-1-TL-S19-004	Main- Teachers Lounge, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.205	BA

51264	51264-1-TL-S19-005	Main- Teachers Lounge, Sink	9/23/16 6:00PM	0.192	BA
51264	51264-2-HAL-WC01-001	Main- Across From Room 204, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	<0.120	ND
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51264	51264-3-HAL-F02-005	Main- Across From Room 302, Bottle Filler	9/23/16 6:00PM	<0.120	ND
54621	54621-1-HAL-F01-001	Modular- Next to Room 104 Right, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	<0.120	ND
54621	54621-1-HAL-F01-002	Modular- Next to Room 104 Right, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	<0.120	ND
54621	54621-1-HAL-F01-003	Modular- Next to Room 104 Right, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	<0.120	ND
54621	54621-1-HAL-F01-004	Modular- Next to Room 104 Right, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	<0.120	ND
54621	54621-1-HAL-F01-005	Modular- Next to Room 104 Right, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	<0.120	ND
54621	54621-1-HAL-F02-001	Modular- Next to Room 104 Left, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	<0.120	ND
54621	54621-1-HAL-F02-002	Modular- Next to Room 104 Left, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	<0.120	ND
54621	54621-1-HAL-F02-003	Modular- Next to Room 104 Left, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	<0.120	ND
54621	54621-1-HAL-F02-004	Modular- Next to Room 104 Left, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	<0.120	ND
54621	54621-1-HAL-F02-005	Modular- Next to Room 104 Left, Fountain	9/23/16 6:00PM	<0.120	ND

EPA ACTION LEVEL FOR LEAD IS 15 ppb or 15 μ g/L

SPREADSHEET LEGEND

ND-Not Detected at the Reporting Limit BA-Below EPA Action Level of 15 ppb AA-Above EPA Action Level

Chicago Public Schools - Department of Facility Operations