

Lynchburg City Schools

Plan for Testing for Lead in Drinking Water

2017-18

Background: Virginia General Assembly enacted Senate Bill 1359 effective July 1, 2017 requiring all school divisions in the state to implement a plan to conduct testing of all potable water sources within the schools for the presence of lead above the maximum threshold of 20 parts per billion (ppb). The protocol used to be that established by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) titled 3Ts for Reducing Lead in Drinking Water in Schools.

Scope: Water will be tested, per EPA protocol, from high priority sources. The sources include: bubbler-style and cooler-style drinking fountains, cafeteria or kitchen taps, classroom combination sinks and drinking fountains, and sinks known to be, or visibly used, for consumption. Priority in the testing plan shall be given to school buildings constructed, in whole or in part, prior to 1986.

Samples shall be collected using Virginia Department of Health (DOH) and EPA recommended procedures. Samples will be analyzed by a DOH certified laboratory.

Posting: This plan and the results of each test conducted will be posted to the Lynchburg City Schools (LCS) website. If any test has a result that is over the acceptable level of 20 parts per billion, a plan for remediation will be developed and posted on the LCS website.

Remediation: If remediation is implemented, the results will be confirmed by retesting the water at two consecutive six month intervals as stipulated in the Senate bill.

Schedule for Testing:

Elementary

Dearington by 5/31/18

Bedford Hills by 6/8/18

Payne by 5/31/18

Sheffield by 6/8/18

Miller by 5/31/18

Paul Munro by 6/8/18

Bass by 5/31/18

Linkhorne by 6/8/18

Perrymont by 5/31/18

Sandusky by 6/8/18

Heritage by 5/31/18

Middle

Dunbar by 6/15/18

Sandusky by 6/25/18

Linkhorne by 6/15/18

High

EC Glass by 6/22/18

Heritage by 6/25/18

Other Sites

Pride Center by 6/25/18

Hutcherson ELC by 6/25/18

Empowerment Academy by 6/25/18

Laurel Program by 6/22/18

Fort Hill CS by 6/22/18

*The testing schedule is a working document and may change according to the needs of the Division.

Remediation Methods: If a source of potable water needs to be remediated, the method may be replacement of faucets, fountains, piping, or the discontinuation of the use of that sources for potable water. These methods are not all inclusive and the best method will be determined after conditions have been surveyed.

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