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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are writing to let you know that Seacoast Charter School recently completed testing for lead in drinking water. This is part of an ongoing effort related to New Hampshire's House Bill 1421, which requires school and child care facilities to test for lead in drinking water and to act when lead is found at levels at or above 5 parts per billion (ppb).

Lead is a toxic heavy metal that has a range of adverse health effects if inhaled or swallowed. Lead rarely occurs naturally in New Hampshire's drinking water sources (groundwater or surface water) and typically enters drinking water due to the wearing away of piping, faucets, fixtures and other plumbing materials.

Because lead is tasteless, odorless and colorless in drinking water, testing is the only way to learn whether lead is present. It is important to sample each faucet or water fountain that is used for drinking or food prep because test results can vary between locations.

Seacoast Charter School has 3 drinking fountains, all 3 drinking fountain results were no detectable lead. We also tested all other faucets in the school. We collected samples from 21 water outlets (e.g., drinking fountains, classroom faucets, kitchen sinks), with 1 sample testing at or above 5 ppb, the level where action must be taken.

All drinking fountains are well below the 5 ppb threshold. We have removed access to this outlet (art room sink) until the problem can be corrected. The table below shows a list of all of the tested outlets, their locations, sample results and our planned remediation.

Outlet Number	Location	Sample Result (ppb)	Planned Remediation
28400-1	Bathroom 9 3rd floor	0.893 ppm	No action needed
28400-2	Third Floor drinking fountain	BRL	No action needed
28400-3	3rd floor kitchen	1.35 ppm	No action needed
28400-4	3rd floor Coatroom Bathroom	0.906 ppm	No action needed
28400-5	Bathroom 6 second floor sink	0.876 ppb	No action needed
28400-6	2nd floor drinking fountain	BRL	No action needed
28400-7	Bathroom 7 second floor sink	0.786 ppb	No action needed
28400-8	Bathroom 6 second floor left sink	BRL	No action needed
284400-9	Bathroom 6 second floor right sink	3.31 ppb	No action needed



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28400-10	2nd floor hallway sink	1.22 ppb	No action needed
28440-11	Bathroom 3 1st floor sink	0.988 ppb	No action needed
28400-12	1st floor drinking fountain	BRL	No action needed
28400-13	1st floor girls bathroom left sink	0.489 ppb	No action needed
28400-14	1st floor girls bathroom right sink	BRL	No action needed
28400-15	1st floor kitchen sink	0.912 ppb	No action needed
28400-16	Bathroom 4 first floor	0.903 ppb	No action needed
28400-17	Judy's art room sink	24 ppb	Replace fixtures and related plumbing
28400-18	Pre-K classroom sink	BRL	No action needed
28400-19	Basement girls room sink left	1 ppb	No action needed
28400-20	Basement girls room sink right	0.648 ppb	No action needed
28400-21	Basement boys room sink	0.524 ppb	No action needed

We have submitted our Remediation Plan to NHDES and will implement the Remediation Plan within 180 days. You will be notified when the work is complete and of the results of the retested outlet.

All sample results and additional resources from the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) can be viewed at gettheleadoutnh.org.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns at theresa@seacoastcharterschool.org

Sincerely,

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