

Drinking Water Quality Notification

Child Care or School Name: Three Rivers Community Schools Date: 4/14/2025

We are committed to protecting the health of children, teachers, and staff so we participated in the Drinking Water Lead Testing Program, which is a federal grant program administered by the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE). By volunteering for this program, the drinking water and food preparation taps were tested for lead and we have taken steps to reduce the risk of lead exposure in the drinking water.

You can see a copy of the water testing results in the administration office. For more information about water quality in our facility, please contact Brian Leonard, Director of Facilities & Operations at (269) 279-1119 (phone).

What actions have been/are being taken to reduce the risk of lead exposure in the drinking water?

- ☒ Taps with lead results greater than 0.005 milligrams per liter (mg/L) have been taken out of service unless it is a tap needed for handwashing (a sign is posted that it is not to be used for drinking)
- ☒ Replacing older fixtures and drinking fountains with certified-lead free fixtures
- ☒ Installing filtered bottle fill drinking fountain units or lead reduction filters on other taps
- ☒ Moving the water (flushing) on a regular basis to decrease the time water stays in the pipes
- ☒ Educating everyone to let the water run for at least 30 seconds before drinking or filling bottles
- ☒ Using signs or other means to indicate what taps can be used for drinking, bottle filling or cooking or using signs to indicate where everyone should not drink, bottle fill, or cook from (e.g., handwashing only)
- ☒ Educating the children on proper drinking locations
- ☒ Cleaning aerators and screens at drinking water fixtures on a routine basis
- ☒ Using only cold water for drinking and cooking
- ☒ Follow up sampling as needed
- ☐ Other: _____

What Are the Health Effects of Lead?

Lead is a toxic metal that is harmful to human health if inhaled or swallowed. Lead exposure may from lead-based paint, dust, soil, air, food, water, and some consumer products. The degree of harm from lead exposure depends on several factors including the frequency, duration, and level of the exposure(s) along with age, nutrition, health, and previous exposure history. There is no safe blood lead level for children. The only way to determine a child's lead level is to have the child's blood tested. Contact your doctor or a health provider to learn more about blood testing.

Want More Information?

For information about water quality and sampling for lead at home, contact your local water supplier or go to the following website: Michigan.gov/MILeadSafe. EGLE recommends that taps for drinking water or food preparation in a child care facility or school that have a test result greater than 0.005 milligrams per liter (mg/L) be taken out of service immediately until the risk of lead exposure can be reduced at that tap.

This Public Notification is being distributed through the following means:

- ☐ Posting in Common Areas of the Building
- ☒ E-mail or Letter to Parents, Teachers, and Staff
- ☒ Posting on Website
- ☐ Handout to every parent or guardian
- ☒ Newsletter

Signed and Certified

Brian Leonard, Director of Facilities & Operations
Name and Title

4/14/2025
Date

(Administrator - Please email a copy of this signed notice to: EGLE-DWEHD-Schoolwater@Michigan.gov or mail a copy to: EGLE-DWEHD-CWSS-LCU, P.O. Box 30817, Lansing, Michigan 48909-8311, or fax to: 517-241-1328. Thank you!)