

Montgomery County Public Schools Lead in Drinking Water Testing Report

**Walt Whitman High School
7100 Whittier Boulevard
Bethesda, MD 20817**

Report Date: April 7th, 2022

LEAD IN DRINKING WATER SAMPLE RESULTS SUMMARY

All Maryland public and nonpublic schools are required to sample all drinking water outlets for the presence of lead pursuant to the Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR). Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) is required to remediate outlets where lead in drinking water concentrations exceed the Montgomery County Action Level (AL) of 5 parts per billion (ppb). A summary of the lead in water initial samples collected by SaLUT are presented in the table below.

Sampling Date	12/08/2021
# of Outlets Tested	79
# of Outlets \geq 5 ppb	1

NEXT STEPS

If an initial sample exceeds the AL (5 ppb), the outlet will be immediately shut-down, a follow-up sample collected, and a remedial plan of action developed for this outlet. No additional sampling or remedial actions are required for schools where all initial samples are below the AL.

HEALTH EFFECTS OF LEAD

Lead can cause serious health problems if too much enters your body from drinking water or other sources. It can cause damage to the brain and kidneys, and can interfere with the production of red blood cells that carry oxygen to all parts of your body. The greatest risk of lead exposure is to infants, young children, and pregnant women. Lead is stored in the bones and it can be released later in life. During pregnancy, the fetus receives lead from the mother's bones, which may affect brain development. Scientists have linked the effects of lead on the brain with lowered IQ in children. Adults with kidney problems and high blood pressure can be affected by low levels of lead more than healthy adults.

SOURCES OF HUMAN EXPOSURE TO LEAD

There are many different sources of human exposure to lead. These include: lead-based paint, lead-contaminated dust or soil, some plumbing materials, certain types of pottery, pewter, brass fixtures, food, cosmetics, exposure in the work place and from certain hobbies. According to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), 10 to 20 percent of a person's potential exposure to lead may come from drinking water, while for an infant consuming formula mixed with lead-containing water this may increase to 40 to 60 percent.

TO REDUCE EXPOSURE TO LEAD IN DRINKING WATER:

1. Run your water to flush out lead: If water hasn't been used for several hours, run water for 15 to 30 seconds or until it becomes cold or reaches a steady temperature before using it for drinking or cooking.
2. Use cold water for cooking and preparing baby formula: Lead from the plumbing dissolves more easily into hot water.

**Please note that boiling the water will not reduce lead levels.*

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. For additional information, please contact Brian Mullikin, Environmental Team Leader, at 240.740.2324 or brian_a_mullikin@mcpsmd.org.
2. For additional information on reducing lead exposure around your home/building and the health effects of lead, visit EPA's website at www.epa.gov/lead.
3. If you are concerned about exposure; contact your local health department or healthcare provider to find out how you can get your child tested for lead.

Please refer to the attachment(s) for additional water sampling information.

Attachment(s) A – Lead in Water Sample Results Table

ATTACHMENT A

Lead in Water Sample Results Table

Sampling Results for Walt Whitman HS

Fixture Barcode	Fixture Location	Fixture Type	Initial Results (ppb)	Pass/Fail	Follow up Results (ppb)	Status
LW08723	In hallway next to 221	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08725	In office 235	Teacher's Lounge Sink	1.9	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08732	In office 296	Teacher's Lounge Sink	1.3	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08733	In library 215	Classroom Sink	1.7	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08734	In classroom 278	Classroom Sink	1.1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08915	In work room 100 by administration	Teacher's Lounge Sink	2.6	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08916	In hallway adjacent to room 100	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08917	In hallway adjacent to room 100	Bottle Filler	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08918	In kitchen	Kitchen Sink	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08919	In kitchen	Kitchen Sink	4.0	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08920	In kitchen	Kitchen Sink	1.4	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08921	In kitchen	Kitchen Sink	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08922	In kitchen	Kitchen Sink	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08923	In kitchen	Ice Machine	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08924	In hallway next to GBR 133	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08925	In hallway next to GBR 133	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08926	In hallway next to GBR 133	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08927	In hallway next to GBR 133	Bottle Filler	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08928	In health room 147	Nurses Office Sink	1.1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08929	In work room by media center	Teacher's Lounge Sink	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08970	In hallway adjacent to gym	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08973	In concession 105	Teacher's Lounge Sink	2.1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08974	In concession 105	Teacher's Lounge Sink	2.6	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08975	In concession 105	Ice Machine	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08976	In women's locker room	Drinking Fountain	2.0	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08977	In men's locker room	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08983	In hallway In front of 286	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08984	In hallway adjacent to 286	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08985	In hallway adjacent to 286	Bottle Filler	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08986	In hallway next to 317	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete

LW08987	In hallway next to 317	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08988	In hallway next to 317	Bottle Filler	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08989	In hallway adjacent to 388	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08991	In hallway adjacent to 388	Bubbler - Indoor	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08992	In hallway adjacent to gym	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08993	In hallway adjacent to gym	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW08994	In hallway adjacent to gym	Bottle Filler	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW10247	In classroom 278	Classroom Sink	1.3	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW10248	In student government 276	Classroom Sink	4.6	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW10249	In hallway next to 257	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW10250	In hallway next to 255	Bottle Filler	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW10251	In hallway next to 255	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW10252	In hallway next to 260	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW10253	In hallway next to 260	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW10254	In hallway next to 260	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW10255	In classroom 260	Classroom Sink	1.5	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW10256	In classroom 260	Classroom Sink	2.5	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW10764	In classroom 250	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW10765	In classroom 250	Classroom Sink	1.4	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW10766	In classroom 250	Classroom Sink	3.3	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW10767	In hallway next to 232	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW10768	In hallway next to 232	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW10769	In hallway next to 419	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW10770	In hallway next to 417	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW10771	In hallway next to 434	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW10772	In hallway next to 434	Bottle Filler	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW10773	In hallway next to 434	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW10774	In office 416	Teacher's Lounge Sink	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW10775	In hallway next to 400	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW11193	In hallway next to 400	Bottle Filler	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW11194	In hallway next to 400	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW11195	In hallway next to 341	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW11196	In hallway next to 337	Bottle Filler	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete

Lw11197	In hallway next to 337	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW11198	In hallway next to 370	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW11199	In hallway next to 370	Bottle Filler	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
Lw11200	In hallway next to room 370	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW11201	In hallway next to 330	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
LW11202	In hallway next to 330	Bottle Filler	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
Lw11203	In hallway next to 330	Drinking Fountain	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
M41874	In office 265	Teacher's Lounge Sink	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
M41925	In classroom 204	Teachers Lounge Sink	6.0	Fail	<1	Testing Complete
M42156	In office 150.6 by counselor	Teacher's Lounge Sink	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
M42167	In staff lounge 124	Teachers Lounge Sink	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
M42171	In kitchen	Kitchen Sink	1.2	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
M42172	In kitchen	Kitchen Sink	2.1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
M42175	In kitchen	Kitchen Sink	<1	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
M42223	In classroom 394	Classroom Sink	2.0	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete
M42388	In classroom 396	Classroom Sink	1.8	Pass	N/A	Testing Complete



**MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
LEAD IN DRINKING WATER TESTING 2018**

Executive Summary:
Walt Whitman High School
7100 Whittier Boulevard,
Bethesda, MD 20817

Date of Test Report:	6/1/2018
Round of Testing:	Initial
# of Outlets Tested:	61
# of Outlets \geq 20 ppb:	0
Low Value (ppb):	< 1.0
High Value (ppb):	11.7

Project Status

Initial testing complete: All results less than 20 ppb.



June 7, 2018

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Re: Lead in Water Testing Service

Location: Walt Whitman High School
7100 Whittier Boulevard,
Bethesda, MD 20817

Dear Mr. Mullikin:

Professional Services Industries (PSI), Inc. is pleased to submit the following report to the Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) for completion of initial lead in water testing at Walt Whitman High School, located at 7100 Whittier Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20817.

Scope of Services:

PSI conducted lead in water testing at Walt Whitman High School in accordance with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Maryland House Bill (HB) 270. State regulation established an action level of 20 parts per billion (ppb) to evaluate lead levels in school buildings, a concentration EPA recommends that schools take action to reduce lead below this action level. Maryland requires periodic testing for the presence of lead in drinking water in occupied public and nonpublic school buildings. EPA developed the 3T's (Training, Testing, and Telling) to assist schools in reducing the lead concentrations in their drinking water. More information about 3T's can be found on the EPA website.

PSI visited the site on 4/23/18 and 4/24/18 to collect samples from 61 water outlets in accordance with current criteria described by the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) Draft Lead in Drinking Water—Public and Nonpublic Schools, Title 26, Subtitle 16 Lead, Chapter 07.

Samples were submitted to a laboratory for lead in water analysis using current US EPA methodology. The laboratory has been certified by the Maryland Department of the Environment to analyze drinking water for lead.

Results:

There were no results of the lead in water analysis at or above 20 parts per billion (ppb).

The lead in water sample results < 20 ppb for sample collection date 4/24/18 are shown in Attachment A.



Discussion:

Lead is a naturally occurring element that can be harmful to humans when ingested or inhaled, particularly to children under the age of six. Lead can adversely affect the development of children's brain potentially leading to detrimental alterations in intelligence and behavior. Lead has been historically used in plumbing, paint and other building materials. Lead is released into the environment from industrial sources and fuel combustion. Lead may also be found in consumer products (imported candy, medicines, toys, dishes, etc.).

Most lead leaches into drinking water from contact with plumbing components such as faucets and valves made of brass or lead-containing solder. The physical and chemical interaction that occurs between the plumbing and water directly contributes to the amount of lead that is released into the water. Although plumbing components installed prior to the 1990's could contain more lead than newer materials, the amount of lead in the drinking water cannot be predicted by the age of building. The purpose of this regulation is to establish a program to minimize the risk of exposure to lead in drinking water outlets at schools.

Simple steps like keeping your home clean and well-maintained will go a long way in preventing lead exposure. These steps include inspecting and maintaining all painted surfaces to prevent paint deterioration, using only cold water to prepare food and drinks, flushing water outlets used for drinking or food preparation, and cleaning around painted areas where friction can generate dust, such as doors, windows, and drawers. Wipe these areas with a wet sponge or rag to remove paint chips or dust, and wash children's hands, bottles, pacifiers and toys often.

Respectfully Submitted,

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE INDUSTRIES, INC.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nand Kaushik".

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Attachments: A – Lead in Water Test Summary Table

ATTACHMENT A

Lead in Water Test Summary Table

Contractor: Professional Services Industries, Inc.

Certified Laboratory: Microbac Laboratories, Inc.

Sample Results for Walt Whitman High School

Barcode ID	Room Number	Location	Location Notes	Equipment Type	Result (PPB)*	Pass/Fail	Status
LW08723		Hallway	Left Of C-328	Cooler	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08724		Hallway	Left Of C-328	Cooler	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08725	C-246	Social Studies Resource Center		Faucet	2.6	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08726		Hallway	Right Of W110	Cooler	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08727		Hallway	Right Of W110	Cooler	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08728		Hallway	In Front Of Theater Stage Door 2 Floor	Cooler	4.6	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08729		Hallway	In Front Of Theater Stage Door 2 Floor	Cooler	2.9	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08730		Office Day Care		Faucet	2.2	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08731	9	Day Care		Faucet	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08732	A-206	Office		Faucet	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08733	D213A	Computer Lab		Faucet	4.1	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08734	C-216	Home Economics		Faucet	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08915	A-148	Work Room Administration		Faucet	2.4	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08916		Hallway	Across From A-156	Cooler	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08917		Hallway	Across From A-156	Cooler	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08918		Kitchen		Faucet	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08919		Kitchen		Faucet	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08920		Kitchen		Faucet	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08921		Kitchen		Faucet	1.7	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08922		Kitchen		Faucet	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08923		Kitchen		Ice Maker	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08924		Hallway	Next To C-119	Cooler	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08925		Hallway	Next To C-119	Cooler	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete

Barcode ID	Room Number	Location	Location Notes	Equipment Type	Result (PPB)*	Pass/Fail	Status
LW08926		Hallway	Next To C-119	Cooler	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08927		Hallway	Next To C-119	Cooler	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08928	B-123	Health Room		Faucet	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08929		Work Room Media Center		Faucet	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08930		Hallway	Left Of C-328	Cooler	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08970		Hallway	In Front Of Gym	Cooler	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08971		Hallway	In Front Of Gym	Cooler	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08972		Hallway	In Front Of Gym	Cooler	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08973	D112	Concession		Faucet	1.8	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08974	D112	Concession		Faucet	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08975	D112	Concession		Ice Maker	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08976		Locker Room - Womens		Cooler	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08977		Locker Room - Mens		Cooler	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08983		Hallway	In Front Of B214	Cooler	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08984		Hallway	In Front Of B214	Cooler	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08985		Hallway	In Front Of B214	Cooler	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08986		Hallway	In Front Of D306	Cooler	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08987		Hallway	In Front Of D306	Cooler	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08988		Hallway	In Front Of D306	Cooler	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08989		Hallway	In Front Of B312	Cooler	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08991		Hallway	In Front Of B312	Cooler	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
LW08993		Hallway	In Front Of Gym	Cooler	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
M41874	C209	Office Resource Center		Faucet	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
M41876	C222	Child Development		Faucet	2.4	Pass	Testing Complete
M41877	C222	Child Development		Faucet	1.6	Pass	Testing Complete
M41878	C222	Child Development		Faucet	1.1	Pass	Testing Complete
M41925	A-233	Break Room	Across CR A225	Faucet	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
M42152	A139	Conference		Faucet	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete

Barcode ID	Room Number	Location	Location Notes	Equipment Type	Result (PPB)*	Pass/Fail	Status
M42153	A139	Conference		Instant Hot Water	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
M42156	A-113	Work Room Counselor		Faucet	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
M42167	C-110	Break Room		Faucet	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
M42171		Kitchen		Faucet	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
M42172		Kitchen		Faucet	1.1	Pass	Testing Complete
M42175		Kitchen		Faucet	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
M42176		Kitchen		Faucet	11.7	Pass	Testing Complete
M42223	B-311	Break Room	3rd Floor	Faucet	1.4	Pass	Testing Complete
M42240	C310	Office		Faucet	<1.0	Pass	Testing Complete
M42388	A307	Computer Lab		Faucet	3.1	Pass	Testing Complete

*ppb = parts per billion