



## Wrentham Public Schools

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Dear Wrentham Public School Community,

Wrentham Public Schools participated in a voluntary water testing program sponsored by the [Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection \(MassDEP\)](#). MassDEP provided school districts with technical assistance and lab analysis of the water to determine the levels of lead and copper. The [Massachusetts Action Level for lead in drinking water](#) is 0.015 milligrams per liter (also known as parts per million). The [Massachusetts Action Level for copper in drinking water](#) is 1.3 milligrams per liter (also known as parts per million).

In February of 2017, samples were collected from all taps and fixtures used for drinking, cooking, and medical uses at Delaney School, Roderick School, and Vogel School. The samples were taken at each tap or fixture for both a first draw sample with the water standing in the tap overnight as well as a flushed sample after the tap was run. [Please click here for information on sample collection procedures for school samples.](#)

I am pleased to report that almost all of the samples taken from our taps and fixtures tested below the Massachusetts Action Levels for lead and copper in drinking water. Of the 190 outlets tested, 10 tested above the action level for lead and 0 tested above the action level for copper. We replaced the fixtures that tested above the action level for lead and had them retested. Of those, 5 tested below the Massachusetts Actions Levels for lead and copper. One re-tested slightly above the action level for lead on the first draw and below the action level after flushing. The parents of the students in that 6<sup>th</sup> grade classroom received a separate email from Principal Vanessa Beauchaine with our plan to remediate the problem.

The water system at the school is not unlike water systems found in other buildings. Older plumbing systems and fixtures, especially, can contain lead pipes or solder that can allow lead to enter tap water. Plumbing systems also contain copper. If you have questions about lead or copper in your home's water supply, and are using a private well, you can have your water tested. If you are receiving water from a public water system (i.e., if you pay a water bill) you can call your local water department for information or check the Consumer Confidence Report sent out by the public water supplier annually. [Please click here to learn more.](#)

We will continue to test the district's water annually and notify the public of the results and remediation plan. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Yours truly,

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