



## **SADDLE BROOK SCHOOL DISTRICT**

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Dear Parents and Staff:

In the Spring of 2016 the school district voluntarily contracted with an environmental company to perform testing of the lead levels in the drinking water. In July 2016 the State of New Jersey passed additional requirements to N.J.A.C. 6A:26 which now includes mandatory testing in public school districts as well as a Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) and water sampling plans. The school district has until July 2017 to comply and the prior testing will not meet the new regulations.

In February 2017 the district contracted with Enviro Vision Consultants, Inc. to develop the QAPP, water sampling plans and required testing.

The Middle/High School was tested on February 20, 2017 and the results can be found on the district website. There were five (5) water fountains and a kitchen sink that had levels above the United States Environmental Protection Agency of fifteen (15) parts per billion (ppb). Four (4) of the water fountains were previously disabled since the testing was conducted in the Spring. The kitchen sink was not being used for cooking. The additional water fountain identified on the second floor has been disabled.

The district is working with Enviro Vision Consultants and a local water cooler repair company. Filters are being installed on two (2) of the fountains and then will be re-tested.

The elementary schools were tested the week of February 27, 2017. I will share those results with you once I receive them.

As I have stated in previous correspondence any identified drinking source that is found to have levels above the 15 ppb will be disabled until the remediation takes place and the results are within acceptable levels.

All reports and correspondence can be found on the district's website, [www.saddlebrookschools.org](http://www.saddlebrookschools.org) under Departments/Buildings and Grounds/Results from Lead Testing in drinking Water.

Sincerely,

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cc: Board of Education  
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