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Martin Chard Interim Superintendent

Dear Parents and District Residents:

September, 5, 2023

District Water Testing

EGLE, the School and Child Care Drinking Water Specialist went throughout the Elementary and Jr./Sr. High School buildings collecting water samples to test for lead content. The on site testing revealed that some of the fixtures sampled detected lead greater than 0.005 Mg/L (5 parts per billion). It was ordered that these fixtures should not be used for consumption until permanent actions are taken and re-sampling show the risk has been reduced. Immediate action for elevated taps was to take them out of service for consumption and posting a sign at the fixture that the fixture is not to be used for consumption. To reduce the risk of lead exposure to children and adults, and as an overabundance of caution, the approved lead filters were attached to all drinking fountains in the Elementary and Jr./Hi. School buildings. Nonfiltered facets may be used for handwashing, cleaning, or other non-consumption purposes. All sinks without a filter has a sign posted. The state is sending samples to the laboratory for further testing results.

The school will keep you updated on any further issues or actions. Should you have any questions please contract Operations Director, Justin Robbins at 269-763-9432.