May 07, 2021

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Potter Career & Technical Center is committed to protecting the health of all students, teachers and staff. In compliance with New York State legislation, which requires every school building to test water outlets for lead, the Potter Career & Technical Center used an outside testing laboratory to review all water outlets. Below are the testing results for the building as received on May 6, 2021.

We are pleased to report that all drinking fountain test results returned at an acceptable level, which is below 15 parts per billion per the NYS Department of Health. Of the 91 water outlets that were tested, 5 outlets yielded elevated results at 15 parts per billion (ppb) or higher. The outlets exceeding the recommended level are as follows: Electrical Shop (Room #106) Sink Faucet 23.1 ppb; First floor Storage Room Sink Faucet 82.8 ppb; Sports Science Gym (Room #158) Sink Faucet 34.9 ppb; Second floor Custodial Closet Sink/Faucet 19.4 ppb; Plumbing Shop (Room #156) Sink Faucet 21.7 ppb.

While no drinking fountains or food preparation stations were affected, remedial actions immediately took place. The five outlets were immediately flushed or replaced. The outlets will be re-tested within the next week. The faucets will remain turned off until lead levels are confirmed to be below the acceptable limit. Alternative water sources will be provided where needed.

The health and safety of those in our care is a top priority. Please be assured that we are following all necessary procedures to re-test the outlets and remediate where needed. We will keep you informed on the progress of these actions via our website www.e1b.org.

If you have any health-related questions about lead testing, please contact your family physician or the Erie County Department of Health at 858-7690.

If you have any questions about our building’s response to this information, please contact Director of Career & Technical Education Anedda Trautman via email atrautman@e1b.org or (716) 821-7076.

Sincerely,
Luke Vogel
Principal