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Dear Laraway 70C residents,

On January 16th, 2017, SB 0550 was signed by Governor Bruce Rauner requiring all Pre-K through 5th grade schools be tested for lead in drinking and cooking water. Schools built after January 1, 2000 and grades 6 through 8th schools are not required to be tested.

Collection of water samples at Oak Valley Elementary School was completed on March 30th, 2017.

We have posted the results of the testing for Oak Valley on our website for viewing. You will find the reports of the findings under the District Info tab and the Freedom of Information page.

The testing requirements are as follows;

- Readings below 5 parts per billion (PPB) do not require any action.
- Readings above 5 ppb but below 20 ppb require notification to parents of children in the school but are still permitted to be used.
- Readings above 20 ppb require the immediate discontinued use of the fixture/fountain.

Of the samples collected we had 5 locations at Oak Valley that were at or above 5ppb.

At Oak Valley, the OFFICE RM 17c and RM 14 locations were taken out of service.

The above listed devices will remain out of operation as they are no longer needed.

The RM 4 and RM 13 locations will receive lead Point-Of-Use filtration and 10 minute daily AM flushing.

The KITCHEN location will also receive Point-Of-Use filtration and 15 minute daily AM flushing.

Although not required, we will also be installing Point-Of-Use filtration in all remaining locations tested.

All locations throughout will receive daily AM flushing.

Any updated information will be posted when received.

You can find more useful information at the USEPA website for information about lead in drinking water: https://www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water/basicinformation-about-lead-drinking-water

Thank you,

Dr. Joe Salmieri

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