



June, 2016

Dear families,

As I am sure many of you are aware, recently there have been concerns about water quality issues in communities across the country. In Milwaukee, the City of Milwaukee Department of Public Works regularly tests the water leaving the city's water treatment plants. There have been no problems.

As a precautionary measure and to reassure our staff, students and families, Milwaukee Public Schools has adopted, with the input of the City of Milwaukee Health Department, a protocol to test the drinking water in our buildings for lead. MPS has no history of water quality concerns. We do not have any lead pipes leading into our schools and we do not anticipate any issues. This is strictly a precautionary measure.

We will begin testing the water in June. The goal is to have the water in all of our buildings tested during the summer, so every school community will have every assurance their water is safe.

The testing involves taking one water sample in the morning before school begins from every possible drinking source in the building. A second sample will be taken shortly afterwards. All test results will be made public to the school community. MPS does not anticipate that any issues will be found. However, if any concern is uncovered, it will be addressed immediately and staff and families will be informed.

If you have any questions, please contact your school principal. Your questions will be forwarded to the Department of Facilities and Maintenance Services.

Have a great summer!

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Sincerely,

Dr. Keith Posley

Chief of School Administration