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The Essex County Schools of Technology performed tests of our schools' drinking water for lead in 2017 accordingly with NJDEP and EPA regulations. Of the 93 outlets sampled in 4 of our facilities, only 11 showed lead levels above the EPA 15 ppb limit. All such outlets were remediated and the schools achieved 100% remediation. In December 2018, the School District conducted lead in potable water testing at Essex County Donald M. Payne Tech. None of the outlets used for consumption exceeded the threshold, hence ensuring that all our potable (drinking) water is safe. The school district has also implemented flushing procedures as a preemptive measure, to mitigate any stagnancy within the schools plumbing system.

A copy of the potable water testing results can be obtained from the school district's administrative office, which is open Monday to Friday (from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.) and on our website at essextech.org. For more information about water quality in our schools, please contact Bruce Scrivo at 973-412-2258. For information about water quality and sampling for lead at home, contact your local water supplier or state drinking water agency.