

2021-2022 Testing for Lead in School Drinking Water Statement of Assurance (SOA)

SOA due date: June 30, 2022


1. The purpose of the SOA is to confirm that water testing for lead was completed in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:26-12.4, required public notifications are provided, and alternate drinking water sources have been made available as required based on the testing results. The submission of a SOA is required regardless of whether an exemption from lead water testing has been granted.

SOA Completion Instructions:

The information listed below is required to complete the SOA form:

1. Results of lead water testing by a certified laboratory for all facilities serving students and staff;
2. The web address of the water testing results posted on the reporting entity's webpage; *
3. The web address of the Notice of Exceedance Letter posted on your entity's webpage, if applicable; and
4. A Department-approved water testing exemption request and web address of posted exemption approval letter, if applicable

If you do not have access to the above information, you will not be able to complete the SOA and should not proceed to the next screen. All data entry fields must be completed in one sitting. Only one SOA should be completed for an entity; a subsequent submission will replace the prior submission.


Click on the box to the left to confirm that items 1-4, as listed above, are available as applicable for reference, and you are authorized by the reporting entity to proceed with SOA completion.

Entity ID

2. Select your entity type from the list below. *

- Approved private school for students with disabilities (APSSD)
- Public School District, ESC, Jointure Commission, Charter or Renaissance School
- Early Childcare Facility

School District, ESC, Jointure Commission, Charter and Renaissance School - County ID

3. Select the county from the list below, except for Charter Schools. *
Charter schools should select "Charter School (80)."

- ATLANTIC (1)
- BERGEN (3)
- BURLINGTON (5)
- CAMDEN (7)
- CAPE MAY (9)
- CHARTER SCHOOL (80)
- CUMBERLAND (11)
- ESSEX (13)
- GLOUCESTER (15)
- HUDSON (17)
- HUNTERDON (19)

- MERCER (21)
- MIDDLESEX (23)
- MONMOUTH (25)
- MORRIS (27)
- OCEAN (29)
- PASSAIC (31)
- SALEM (33)
- SOMERSET (35)
- SUSSEX (37)
- UNION (39)
- WARREN (41)

ESSEX (13)

IMPORTANT: If your entity is not listed, use the "back" button at the bottom of the page to confirm that the correct entity type and county were selected. If correctly selected, email leadtesting@doe.nj.gov and provide the missing entity name, DOE code, entity type, and county.

4. Public School District, ESC, Jointure Commission - Select your entity from the list *
below.

- BELLEVILLE TOWN (250)
- BLOOMFIELD TWP (410)
- CALDWELL-WEST CALDWELL (660)
- CEDAR GROVE TWP (760)

- CITY OF ORANGE TWP (3880)
- EAST ORANGE (1210)
- ESSEX CO ED SERV COMM (1387)
- ESSEX CO VOC-TECH (1390)
- ESSEX FELLS BORO (1400)
- FAIRFIELD TWP (1465)
- GLEN RIDGE BORO (1750)
- IRVINGTON TOWNSHIP (2330)
- LIVINGSTON TWP (2730)
- MILLBURN TWP (3190)
- MONTCLAIR TOWN (3310)
- NEWARK CITY (3570)
- NORTH CALDWELL BORO (3630)
- NUTLEY TOWN (3750)
- ROSELAND BORO (4530)
- SOUTH ORANGE-MAPLEWOOD (4900)
- VERONA BORO (5370)
- WEST ESSEX REGIONAL (5630)
- WEST ORANGE TOWN (5680)

Authorized Representative

Enter contact information for an authorized administrator employed by the reporting entity and responsible for the contents of the SOA submission.

5. Authorized Representative Name: *

Bernetta Davis

6. Authorized Representative Title (Superintendent, Business Administrator, etc.): *

Business Administrator

7. Authorized Representative Email: *

bdavis@essextech.org

8. Authorized Representative Phone Number (format: xxx-xxx-xxxx): *

973-412-2078

9. Authorized Representative Street Address: *

60 Nelson Place, 1 North

10. Authorized Representative City: *

Newark

11. Authorized Representative State: *

NJ

12. Authorized Representative Zip Code: *

07102

13. Identify the person to be contacted by the Department should there be questions concerning the submission. *

 Click here if the SOA submission contact is the same as the authorized representative. Click here if the SOA submission contact is someone other than the authorized representative.

Water Testing Exemption Status

Entities may request an exemption from the lead testing requirements if they can demonstrate that they do not use any drinking water outlets for consumption or food preparation in any of their facilities (N.J.A.C. 6A:26-12.4(j)). **Water testing exemption requests must be submitted to and approved by the Department prior to the completion of the SOA.**

An exemption approval from the Department must be made available for inspection at the school facility and posted on the entity's website. **Do not proceed with the SOA unless the website link(s) to the required public reporting are live.**

If you plan to request an exemption or are waiting to receive Department approval for an exemption request, exit the SOA application until the exemption approval is received.

14. Exemption Status: *

Is the entity exempt from water testing from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022?

 Yes No

Water Testing Results

In accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A-12.4(e), the most recent lead test results collected between July 1, 2021 and June 30, 2022 for all water outlets used for consumption or food preparation must be posted and remain on the covered entity's website. A notification letter for results that exceed 15 µg/l (parts per billion [ppb]) must also be posted on the covered entity's website. If an entity does not have a website, test results and exceedance notification must be posted on the district website.

Do not proceed with the SOA unless the website link(s) to the required public reporting are live.

15. Water testing start date (July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 only): *

2/6/2022



16. Water testing end date (July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 only): *

2/13/2022



17. Website address of the posted water testing results: *

NOTE: To avoid typing errors, open the testing results in a separate browser window, copy the URL, and paste it in the field below. If water testing results are posted on multiple web pages, enter each URL separated by a comma.

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18. **Notification of Exceedance:**

Did one or more drinking water outlets exceed the lead action level of 15 µg/l (parts per billion [ppb])? *



Yes

No

19. Total number of water outlets cited for exceeding 15 µg/l: *

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20. Website address of Exceedance Notification Letter(s): *

NOTE: To avoid typing errors, open the testing results in a separate browser window, copy the URL, and paste it in the field below. If exceedance notification letters are posted on multiple web pages, enter each URL separated by a comma.

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Assurances

Answer true or false for each statement. If a response is false, the entity has not complied with all water lead testing requirements, and the SOA cannot be approved until the district resolves the compliance issue(s).

21. Water testing for lead was completed on or between July 1, 2021 and June 30, 2022 and in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:26-12.4. *

True

False

22. The lead in drinking water analysis was conducted by a NJ Certified Drinking Water Laboratory. *

True

False

23. All water outlets used for consumption and food preparation in school facilities, including auxiliary buildings and outside outlets on school grounds where a student or staff member has or may have access, were sampled. *

True

False

24. All drinking water outlets with a result exceeding the lead action level of 15 µg/l (parts per billion [ppb]) were taken out of service or permanently remediated. *

True

False

Not Applicable

25. For any results that exceed the action level of 15 µg/l [ppb], written notification was provided to the parents/guardians of all students attending the facility and facility staff describing the steps taken to immediately end use of each drinking water outlet where water quality exceeds the permissible lead level and the measures taken to ensure that alternate drinking water has been made available to all students and staff. *

True

False

Not Applicable

26. Website link(s) to the water testing results that are entered in the SOA are live and available to the public. *

True

False

27. Website link(s) to the exceedance notification letter(s) that are entered in the SOA are live and available to the public. *

True

False

Not Applicable

28. The website link to the exemption approval letter issued by the Department to the entity that is entered in the SOA is live and available to the public. *

True

False

Not Applicable

Certification

29. 1) The school district, charter school, renaissance school, jointure commission, educational services commission, approved private school for students with disabilities acting under contract to provide educational services on behalf of New Jersey public school districts, state-funded early childcare facilities pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:13A, and receiving schools as defined by N.J.A.C. 6A:14-7.1(a) (hereinafter collectively referred to as "entity"), has reviewed N.J.A.C 6A:26-12.4 requiring testing for lead in drinking water and provides assurance of the following:

- Water testing for lead was completed in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:26-12.4; and

- The development and implementation of a testing program has been completed in accordance with the technical guidelines established by the NJ Department of Environmental Protection; and
- All notifications of test results have been provided consistent with this subchapter, including the requirement to make the test results publicly available on the entity's website, or
- An exemption from the Department for lead testing was granted because the entity did not, and still does not, use any drinking water outlets for consumption or food preparation in any of its facilities and provides an alternative source of drinking water.

2) The entity will continue to fully implement the N.J.A.C. 6A:26-12.4 regulations.

3) The entity will maintain compliance with all applicable laws, codes, and regulations governing the provision of potable drinking water and testing of drinking water for lead including, but not limited to, N.J.A.C. 6A:26-12.4; the Safe Drinking Water Act, N.J.S.A. 58:12A-1 et seq., and the rules promulgated pursuant thereto, N.J.A.C. 7:10 and N.J.A.C. 6A:26-6, Planning and Construction Standards for School Facilities.



By clicking the checkbox to the left, the authorized representative of the entity certifies that all statements above are true and correct

30. Name: *

Bernetta Davis

31. Title: *

Business Administrator

32. Email: *

bdavis@essextech.org

33. Date: *

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