



Water Lead Testing

LEAD IN SCHOOL DRINKING WATER.

The commissioners of health and education shall jointly develop a model plan to require school districts to accurately and efficiently test for the presence of lead in water in public school buildings serving students in kindergarten through grade 12. To the extent possible, the commissioners shall base the plan on the standards established by the United States Environmental Protection Agency. The plan may be based on the technical guidance in the Department of Health's document, "Reducing Lead in Drinking Water: A Technical Guidance for Minnesota's School and Child Care Facilities." As required by the State of Minnesota and as part of our commitment to facility safety and maintenance, Gentry Academy is following the requirements of Minn. Stat 121A.335 and Minnesota Department of Health guidance which includes sampling for the presence of lead in drinking water in our school building.

School plans.

Gentry Academy has adopted the commissioners' model plan to test for the presence of lead accurately and efficiently in water in its school building serving fifth grade students through grade 12.

Frequency of testing.

(a) Gentry Academy school facilities should undergo testing for the quality of drinking water at intervals of no more than five years to guarantee its high quality.

(b) In the event that lead contamination is detected at a particular site responsible for providing cooking or drinking water, the facility will promptly cease the water supply or render it inaccessible until the hazard is effectively mitigated.

Reporting. If a test conducted under, paragraph (a), reveals the presence of lead above a level where action should be taken as set by the guidance, the school must, within 30 days of receiving the test result, either remediate the presence of lead to below the level set in guidance, verified by retest or directly notify parents of the test result. The school district or charter school must make the water source unavailable

until the hazard has been minimized. Test results will be displayed and archived on our website.

Questions

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If you have any questions about the Lead Testing Policy or our testing results, please reach out to jennifer.kurth@gentryacademy.org.