



# Norfolk Public Schools

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Dear Northside Middle School Parent:

You may recall that prior to the pandemic, we communicated with families that Norfolk Public Schools was conducting a comprehensive water testing program in all of its schools and buildings on a schedule that extended through June of this year. While that effort slowed somewhat as staff worked to accomplish deep cleaning, it did not come to a halt.

Norfolk Public Schools has completed water testing at Northside Middle School. The purpose of this letter is to inform you of the results of that initiative. As a reminder, this effort was undertaken to address revised Environmental Protection Agency guidelines which now identify acceptable lead levels at 15 parts per billion. The school division contracted with an independent laboratory to conduct this testing for our schools and facilities.

I am pleased to share that there were no drinking water sources in your school that exceeded the acceptable standard. However, there were sources of non-potable water (non-drinking water) that did exceed the acceptable standard. The table below identifies the location of those water outlets and what remedial action Norfolk Public Schools has taken to reduce the lead levels at these locations.

Location(s)	Remedial Action
A number of sources of non-consumable water exceeded the acceptable standard. For example, these included: locker room showers, work room and custodial sinks	Placard placed noting water is "not for consumption"

Should you have any questions, you may contact our office of Risk Management and Safety at (757) 628-3856.

Sincerely,



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