

## Lead in Drinking Water – Public and Nonpublic Schools

### **IMPORTANT FOLLOW-UP NOTICE: MEASURES TAKEN** **Franklin Elementary School**

#### **ELEVATED LEAD WATER SAMPLE RESULT(S)**

All Maryland public and nonpublic schools are required to sample all drinking water sources for the presence of lead pursuant to the Code of Maryland Regulations. On September 29, 2018, 59 water samples were collected from Franklin Elementary School. Of these water samples, two (2) had levels of lead exceeding the action level of 20 parts per billion (ppb) for lead in drinking water in school buildings. The elevated lead results from the sample(s) collected at Franklin Elementary School were as follows:

41.2 parts per billion (ppb) Fountain, hallway by room 11  
30.3 parts per billion (ppb) Tap Library Workroom, Handsink

#### **ACTION LEVEL (AL)**

The AL is 20 ppb for lead in drinking water in school buildings. The AL is the concentration of lead which, if exceeded, triggers required remediation.

#### **FOLLOW-UP RESULTS**

On December 7, 2019, samples were re-tested from the locations listed above. Sampling results are above the action level for the Library Workroom Handsink. The Fountain, hallway by room 11 was not operational on the day of sampling.

#### **ACTIONS TAKEN WITH DATES**

These fixtures were replaced prior to resampling. This Library Workroom fixture has now been labeled as “Hand and Dish Washing Only” and will no longer be used for drinking water. The Fountain will be repaired and sampled at a later date.

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

1. For additional information, please contact David Glassman, Supervisor, Environmental Services at 443.809.6310 or [dglassman2@bcps.org](mailto:dglassman2@bcps.org).
2. For additional information about reducing lead exposure around your home/building and the health effects of lead, visit EPA’s website at [www.epa.gov/lead](http://www.epa.gov/lead).
3. If you are concerned about exposure, contact your healthcare provider. If you do not have a healthcare provider, please contact the Baltimore County Department of Health at 410.887.3725.