

IMPORTANT FOLLOW-UP NOTICE: MEASURES TAKEN

Owings Mills 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 March 9, 2019, 41 water samples were collected from Owings Mills Elementary School. Of these water samples, seven (7) 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 Owings Mills Elementary School were as follows:

42.6 parts per billion (ppb) Bubbler, Room 102
248 parts per billion (ppb) Tap, Office Workroom, Handsink
26.0 parts per billion (ppb) Tap, Room 200, Handsink
32.0 parts per billion (ppb) Bubbler, Room 201
21.6 parts per billion (ppb) Tap/Room 201, Handsink
59.9 parts per billion (ppb) Bubbler, Room 203
20.4 parts per billion (ppb) Tap, Room 203, 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 21, 2019, samples were re-tested from the locations listed above. Sampling results were above the AL for Bubblers, Rooms 201 and 203. The sampling results were below the AL for the Taps, Office Workroom, and Rooms 200, 201, 203. Bubbler, Room 102 was not operational on the day of the sampling.

ACTIONS TAKEN WITH DATES

These fixtures were replaced prior to resampling. The fixtures above the AL were turned off on February 18, 2020 after sampling results were received. The fixtures along with the unsampled fixture will be removed. The fixtures below the AL were returned to normal service.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. For additional information, please contact David Glassman, Supervisor, Environmental Services at 443.809.6310 or 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.
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.