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# MEMORANDUM

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TO: Monroe Elementary School Parents  
FROM: PJ Caposey, Superintendent  
DATE: January 12, 2018  
RE: MC Lead testing

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Illinois Public Act 99-922 requires all pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> grade schools built before January 1, 2000, to test the level of lead in the water from every outlet that could be used for drinking or food preparation. All sampling results must be submitted to the Illinois Department of Public Health and provided to parents and legal guardians of enrolled students. In addition, if lead is found at levels above 5 parts per billion (ppb), the school district must individually notify parents in writing or electronically.

Please note the district is required to take two samples from each location. If either the initial draw or the 'flush' sample is less than 5 ppb, individual notification of parents is not required. For instance, if a draw sample is higher than 5ppb but the flush sample is less than 5ppb, the location sampled is not required to be on the notification. The great news is that we had zero sample sites that need to be reported on at Monroe Center.

We did have some samples that exceeded 5 ppb on one of the two samples taken. The results of all tested areas, including those under a 5 ppb reading, are posted online under the tab District Informational Postings. Please be assured that we are taking immediate action to address any site that had any sample over 5 ppb as to ensure the safest possible environment for our students.

For information about lead in drinking water, visit the USEPA website at: [www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water/basic-information-about-lead-drinking-water](http://www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water/basic-information-about-lead-drinking-water).

Please contact me at [pcaposey@mail.meridian223.org](mailto:pcaposey@mail.meridian223.org) if you would like to discuss this issue in greater detail.

Thank you and make it a great day,



Dr. PJ Caposey

Superintendent of Schools, M223