

MONROE #1 BOARD OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES



Daniel T. White
District Superintendent

May 5, 2016

Dear Faculty and Staff,

Monroe #1 BOCES takes the health and safety of its students and staff members very seriously. Recognizing the concern for lead in drinking water within the community, the East Rochester Union Free School District recently had all the water fixtures tested at the Bird/Morgan Campus that may provide water consumption within the facilities managed by Monroe #1 BOCES. The East Rochester UFSD hired ALS Group USA, Corp. dba ALS Environmental to sample the water and provide test results and then provided us with the data.

The water quality samples, tested by ALS on April 12, 2016, showed that only two fixtures tested above the Environmental Protection Agency Action Level of 15 µg/L:

- 1 Bird/Morgan Second Floor M218A Classroom Sink
- 2 Bird/Morgan Ground Floor B8 Storage Area Sink

The vast majority of water samples tested were under the Environmental Protection Agency recommended limit for lead of less than 15 µg/L, micrograms/Liter, equivalent to parts per billion (ppb). The lab results found these two samples from two sinks, of the 49 total samples, with lead above 15 µg/L. We posted a "Water Not Suitable for Drinking" sign on both sinks 05/03/2016. These fixtures were NOT located in potable areas, i.e. drinking fountains or cooking kitchens.

Going forward, we will work to replace these two fixtures and retest them to be sure they have been remediated. This notice is provided to make you aware of these recent water quality test results and the steps we have taken immediately to address them.

Sincerely,

Daniel White
District Superintendent