

March 24, 2017

Dear Eastern Christian School Parents, Guardians and Staff:

In December the NJ Legislature passed Bill A3539 which requires lead testing in all public schools. Although this Bill does not have a requirement for non-public schools, Eastern Christian is committed to protecting our students' and staff's health. Eastern Christian has scheduled the lead drinking water sampling for March 28, 2017 and will test all drinking water outlets in our facilities.

What Actions We Are Taking?

Prior to sampling, Eastern Christian developed a Lead Sampling Plan and conducted a plumbing profile. The purpose of the plumbing profile was to identify all drinking water outlets and evaluate the plumbing materials of the school to determine if lead solder, lead pipes or a lead service line are present.

The week of March 28th All drinking water outlets in Eastern Christian Schools will be sampled by a certified lab. We anticipate receiving the results from our laboratory within four weeks of sampling. Upon receiving the sample results, Eastern Christian will inform you if any of the drinking water outlets had a result greater than the action level of 15 μ g/l (parts per billion [ppb]) and will post all of the results on our website at www.easternchristian.org. The results will be used to assist in the prioritization of future water testing for lead in accordance with Eastern Christian's Lead Sampling Plan.

Eastern Christian will also implement immediate remedial measures for any drinking water outlet with a result greater than the action level of 15 μ g/l (ppb). This will include turning off the outlet unless it is determined the location must remain on for non-drinking purposes. In these cases, a "DO NOT DRINK – SAFE FOR HANDWASHING ONLY" sign will be posted.

Sincerely,
Jeff Botbyl
Director of Operations/School Security