

Westonka Public Schools

Reducing Lead in Drinking Water

The District goal is to provide lead safe drinking water sources throughout all facilities. The testing will include identification of water sources that are considered drinking and cooking sources and will be tested following the Commissioner's Model Plan – ***Reducing Lead in Drinking Water drafted by the Minnesota Department of Education and the Minnesota Department of Health.***

Step 1

School Boards must adopt a plan for testing drinking water for lead by July 1st, 2018.

Choose and check the option adopted:

- Commissioner's Model Plan: Reducing Lead in Drinking Water: A Technical Guidance and Model Plan for Minnesota's Public Schools
(<http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/water/schools/pbschoolguide.pdf>)
- DATE READ BY SCHOOL BOARD: **7/16/2018**
- DATE ADOPTED BY SCHOOL BOARD: **7/16/2018**

Step 2

Schools must begin testing for lead by July 1, 2018. Schools must test all taps used for cooking and drinking water serving kids in pre-kindergarten to 12th grade.

- **Develop A Sampling Program**
Phil Smith, Dashir Management, and Steve Musser with Musser Environmental will conduct or update the inventory of all taps used for cooking or drinking water.
 - The inventory will be completed by 7/1/2018
 - The inventory will be attached to the Model Plan Checklist form. The inventory should be updated if taps are added or removed.
 - Phil Smith, Dashir Management, and Steve Musser with Musser Environmental will set a sampling schedule so all taps identified in the inventory are tested within 5 years.
Schedule will be completed 7/1/2018
 - Attach the schedule to the Model Plan Checklist form.
- **Conduct First Draw Tap Monitoring** – Monitoring must begin by July 1, 2018. Taps must be sampled within five years. Taps must be sampled once every five years.
 - Phil Smith, Dashir Management, will conduct or coordinate hiring a contractor to complete first draw tap monitoring. Monitoring will follow the practices in the Commissioner's Model Plan. **Monitoring to begin July 1, 2018.**
 - All first draw tap monitoring must be completed within 5 years. Monitoring will be completed by Musser Environmental, or company chosen by the district.
 - Taps must be sampled once every five years. Document the next testing date for each tap. Phil Smith, Dashir Management, will document future testing dates.

Step 3

A school district that has tested for lead in drinking water must make the results available for public review. Parents must be notified of the availability of the information.

- The program contact person is Phil Smith , Dashir Management. 952-491-8090
- Phil Smith, with Dashir Management, will make all test results available for public review upon request.
- School District will make the availability of the information known to parents. Choose and check box/boxes that apply.
 - Providing notice in annual publication
 - Providing notice in quarterly publication
 - Providing notice in local newspaper or media outlet
 - Providing notice on school website **(preferred)**
 - Other – **Parent and Staff email notifications.**
 - Documents concerning lead in water testing will be on file for viewing at 5901 Sunnyfield rd Minnetrista, MN 55364 (Facilities Department)
- Date notification completed: 7/1/2018

06/23/2018

3 Ts: Train, Test, Tell

- District will ask and maintain records of water tests conducted by the city
- District will test where the water main enters the school
- District will test all potable water sources
- District will test all potable sources deemed as “reasonably used” for drinking and cooking
- District will conduct first draws (where water has been stagnant for 6+ hours). Overnight, but not over the weekend
- District will test all potable, reasonably used water sources every five years
- District will test in this order: 1. Pre-school 2. ECFE 3. Elementary 4. Junior high 5. Senior high
 - Drinking fountains
 - Teachers’ work room
 - Kitchen
 - Nurses’ office
- Start date of July 1, 2018
- Flushing protocols for fixtures that test above the 15 ppb
- Removing drinking fountain fixtures testing above the 15 ppb
- Replacing drinking fountain with water fill stations that include filters to remove lead and other particles
- Re-testing fixtures district wide that test above the threshold of 15 ppb
- District has already begun this testing
- District will publish results on their district website.
- District will test All sites annually