



# NORTH ROSE - WOLCOTT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear NRW families,

To protect public health, New York State Health Department (NYSDOH) regulations require that all public schools test lead levels in water from every outlet that is being used, or could potentially be used, for drinking or cooking. These include but are not limited to drinking fountains, classroom and office sinks, kitchen sinks, kitchen kettle filler outlets, ice machines, bathroom sinks, and athletic field outlets. Schools must take action any time any water outlet is found to have lead levels exceeding 15 parts per billion (ppb).

The North Rose-Wolcott Central School District recently conducted this testing and received results indicating lead levels above 15 ppb in 23 outlets at North Rose-Wolcott Elementary School and 12 outlets at North Rose-Wolcott High School. A majority of these outlets are not used for drinking or cooking and will be labeled for handwashing use only. We have shut off the affected outlets that are typically used for drinking or cooking and are taking immediate action to remediate these elevated lead levels.

We will work through the remaining outlets on a case-by-case basis to determine and correct the sources of elevated lead levels so that those outlets comply with NYSDOH allowable levels. Outlets will not be reopened until resampling has produced results below the 15 ppb action level. Two outlets at the high school have already been remediated and have produced satisfactory results upon retesting.

In the coming weeks, we will post the results of these tests on our website, [www.nrwcs.org](http://www.nrwcs.org). The safety and health of our NRW community is our primary concern as we work to correct these issues. Thank you for your understanding.

Respectfully,

Daniel Friday  
Director of Facilities