

## **Christ the King School**

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Dear Parents, Guardians, Faculty and Staff,

In accordance with Public Act 099-0922, "Testing for Lead and Mitigation Strategies for Schools," all Schools, Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade in the State of Illinois are required to test all water sources used for cooking and drinking for lead. Christ the King School has completed testing and has found levels in plumbing that exceed the direct notification limit of 5 parts per billion (ppb).

By state law we are required to notify you of the test results.

The Test Results above 5 ppb:

Location: Kitchen Source: Sink 1 (KS1) Not for cooking

Location: Lower Level Source: Preschool Utility Sink between bathrooms (SJS)

The complete test results report may be found on our website <a href="http://www.ctkcougars.com/files/7315/1310/5317/lead\_test.pdf">http://www.ctkcougars.com/files/7315/1310/5317/lead\_test.pdf</a>

We are committed to the health and safety of our students and have removed those fixtures with lead detects from service and have implemented a water management plan for this facility. The plan will require that all drinking water fountains, hand sinks and kitchen faucets be flushed prior to first use each day. Hand sinks will not be used for drinking water purposes and signage will be added next to these sinks.

Lead can cause learning disabilities and other health problems, children are most susceptible. For more information on reducing lead exposure and the health effects of lead, visit the USEPA's Web site at <a href="https://www.epa.gov/lead">www.epa.gov/lead</a>, the CDC Web site at <a href="https://www.edc.gov/nceh/lead">www.edc.gov/nceh/lead</a>, call the National Lead Information Center at 800-424-LEAD, or contact your health care provider or local health department. City Water, Light & Power, our water provider, has developed a webpage to assist in educating customers on issues related to lead in their drinking water: <a href="https://www.cwlp.com/leadawareness.aspx">https://www.cwlp.com/leadawareness.aspx</a>

Please be assured that the health and safety of your student is of the utmost importance to Christ the King School. We will follow the recommendations of the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) for mitigating these issues.

If you should have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,
Pam Fahey
Principal
Christ the King School