

Warrenton-Hammond School District #30

Lead in Drinking Water Testing and Mitigation Plan

OAR 581-022-2223(5)(d) states that the Healthy and Safe Schools Plan must include a plan to test for and reduce exposure to lead in water used for drinking or food preparation. If the district, education service district, or public charter school does conduct lead testing of drinking water, an Oregon Health Authority accredited lab must be used for all testing.

The Oregon Department of Education and the Oregon Health Authority recommend that all school districts and childcare facilities test for lead in school water and take corrective action if lead levels are elevated.

Warrenton-Hammond School District will include the following steps in its lead testing procedures:

- 1. **Identify sources of lead:** WHSD will test all operational taps used for drinking or food preparation in each building to identify any lead problems. WHSD will follow the Environmental Protection Agency's 3 T's Revised Technical Guidance to ensure that samples for lead are collected properly and from the right places. WHSD will use an OHA-accredited laboratory to analyze samples for lead. After initial testing, WHSD will test 5% of the sites in each building every five years as required by OAR 581-022-2223(2)(d)(C).*
- 2. **Stop access:** WHSD will prevent access to water taps that have more than 20 parts per billion (ppb) of lead. This may include shutting off taps, covering water fountains, and/or providing bottled water to students and staff members.*
- 3. **Communicate:** WHSD will make results from tests for lead in water available to students, families, and the community as quickly as possible.*
 - Warrenton-Hammond School District will make all test results available to the public within five business days of receiving the results;*
 - Warrenton-Hammond School District will make the results available to the public by posting the results on the school district website, sending notice of the results over the email system, and making the results available in hardcopy at the main administration office; and*
 - The Warrenton-Hammond School District will provide detailed information explaining the test results.*

4. **Mitigate and Correct:** WHSD maintenance staff will replace or decommission the sources of lead in building plumbing. Reports of any replacement or decommissioning will be maintained at the Maintenance Supervisors Office and the Warrenton-Hammond School District Office.

Attachments:

The EPA's 3Ts technical guidance is available here:

https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2015-09/documents/toolkit_leadschools_guide_3ts_leadschools.pdf