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# CARMEL CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

ANDY IRVIN  
Superintendent of Schools

Dear Parents and Staff:

In October, I wrote to tell you that recent New York State legislation now requires all school districts test all sources of water for lead particulate matter in schools and other district buildings. This new requirement includes water sources that are intended for drinking, food preparation or cooking, and also include those that are not. For example, the regulation now calls for the testing of all faucets, spigots and shower heads regardless of the purpose or whether or not they are currently in use.

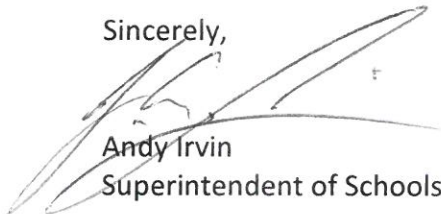
This letter is to inform you that in accordance with the recently established State requirements regarding lead testing in public schools, we have had every water outlet in all of our school buildings tested for the presence of lead. We previously shared the results for all schools except Carmel High School, as those results were not yet known. The results have now been posted on our website, along with the other schools in the district.

The water outlets that have elevated lead levels have been taken off line and will remain so until the District can obtain test results that meet the new standards. We are currently replacing the affected fixtures in accordance with the State's directive. At no time will the students or staff be allowed to drink from these areas until we have resolved the problem.

Once the fixtures have been replaced, we will sample the water again at those locations. When the work is completed, we will inform you similarly.

We remain committed to maintaining environmental quality in support of the health and safety of students, staff and all who use our schools.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Andy Irvin', written over a horizontal line.

Andy Irvin  
Superintendent of Schools

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