

Maria L. Varisco-Rogers Charter School

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Dear Maria L. Varisco Rogers School Community:

The New Jersey Department of Education and the Environmental Protection Agency require school districts in New Jersey to test water levels for lead. As part of this requirement, our landlord, (The Archdiocese of Newark) in conjunction with MLVRCS tested 102 water outlets throughout all the school buildings during school breaks, including faucets, fountains, and spigots.

The results indicated that, of the 102 locations tested, eleven (11) sink faucets contained over the state "action level" which is 15.5 parts per billion. (To provide a reference point a part per billion is comparable to a drop of water in a swimming pool.) Some of the eleven locations are rarely used and mainly all issues are with bathroom faucets that are used for non-drinking.

We are working with our landlord to remedy the all unacceptable conditions. To be incompliance with regulations we have placed "Do Not Drink Water" signs above the affected bathroom faucets in English and Spanish.

For your information, we have posted the full water testing report, as well as a copy of this letter, on our school web site at www.mlvrcs.org.

Sincerely,

Jose Segarra

School Business Administrator