

Lead in School Drinking Water – October 2016

There have been many articles in the news recently about lead in drinking water since the discovery of lead in the City of Flint Michigan's public water supply. Lead in school drinking water is a serious concern since it can impact a student's development both physically and mentally. Home water supplies using public or on-site wells can also be contaminated due to lead leaching into drinking water from the solder (banned in 1986 by Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)) used in installing home water piping.

To insure the safety of drinking water in Upper Perkiomen School District, water samples from each building were tested in June of 2016 and all found to be below the EPA's "action level" of 15 ppb (parts-per-billion). We will continue to test for lead in each building on an annual basis, to ensure the safety of the drinking water supply.

For more information go to www.epa.gov "lead in drinking water".