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## Dear CiTi School Community,

In September 2016, the Governor signed into law Chapter 296 of the Laws of 2016 and the NYSDOH adopted regulations 10 NYCRR Subpart 67-4 requiring school districts and BOCES to test school potable water sources. The intent of these regulations is to monitor for lead contamination and remediate water outlets producing lead levels of more than 15 parts per billion (ppb). In accordance with these regulations, the CiTi has tested our schools' drinking water for lead and would like to notify you of the results.

Testing was conducted using the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency recommendations as described in their document "3Ts for Reducing Lead in Drinking Water in Schools." Samples were collected by certified technician and evaluated using a certified NYSDOH laboratory.

Upon testing all 214 water outlets identified as possible sources of drinking water, 11 showed lead levels above the 15-ppb mark. These outlets were immediately denoted with signage saying, "Do Not Drink." Also please note, only 5 (denoted below with an "\*") of these 11 outlets are in student-used areas and none are direct sources of drinking water. Remediation plans are already in motion to replace each of the identified outlets, with work to begin as soon as materials are received.

The full report of our testing results is available on the CiTi website, <u>CiTiboces.org</u>, but a summary of the 11 outlets identified is as follows:

- o CiTi's Mexico Campus:
  - Main Building\* Boys bathroom A903 sink 2 came in at 15.8 ppb
  - Main Building\* Stem Lab G100 sink 2 came in at 129.0 ppb
  - Main Building\* Classroom F120 sink came in at 37.2 ppb
  - Main Building\* Classroom F125 sink came in at 17.3 ppb
  - Print Shop Building\* Bathroom 2 sink came in at 34.6 ppb
  - Technology Department Building Slop sink came in at 44.9 ppb
  - Stern Education Building Bathroom 104 sink came in at 15.1 ppb
  - Adult Education Building Bathroom 101 sink came in at 23.7 ppb
  - Operations & Maintenance Building Bathroom 2 sink came in at 15.1 ppb
- CiTi's Dutch Ridge Road Building:
  - Slop sink came in at 23.5 ppb
- CiTi's Cayuga Street Literacy Building:
  - Bathroom 2 came in at 21.9 ppb

CiTi is committed to the safety and health of our students and staff, which has and will continue to be our highest priority. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Jim Cerio, Director of Facilities at (315) 963-4368.

Sincerely.

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