June 18, 2021

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. The full report of our testing results is available on the CITi website, CITiboces.org.

In addition, because your child/student attends a CITi program located at Central Square Central School District, we are also including a copy of Central Square’s notification letter regarding water testing results for their buildings.

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, feel free to contact Mr. Jim Cerio, Director of Facilities at (315) 963-4368.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Sheperd
Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services

A BOARD OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES
179 County Route 64, Mexico, NY 13114
Christopher J. Todd, District Superintendent/Executive Officer
June 2, 2021

Dear Parents of Central Square Middle School Students:

The New York State Health Department requires that Lead in the Water testing be completed every five years. Samples are taken from locations that could potentially be used for drinking or cooking. First draw samples are collected and sent out to a certified laboratory for analysis. Samples that come back above the action level of 15 parts per billion are taken out of service until remediation efforts are complete. Once the remediation efforts have been completed, the fixture is retested to ensure the lead level is below the action level. The testing at The Central Square Middle School has been completed. Seven locations came back above the action level, those seven locations were:

- Girls gang restroom across from Gym sink faucet #3
- Handicapped restroom sink faucet across from Gym
- Sink faucet room 132
- Kitchen tower by Combi oven
- Kitchen tower by stove grill
- Kitchen tower by two kettles
- Handicapped restroom blue area sink faucet

After remediation efforts which included removal of some fixtures, the remaining fixtures tested below the action level of 15ppb.

Please feel free to contact Paul Brissette Director of Facilities at 315-668-4220, x70255 or visit the district website for information regarding the lead testing.

Sincerely,

Mathew L. Penrod - CSMS Building Principal