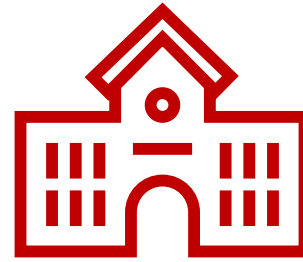







Actions at Every Level






What schools and child cares must do:

-  Develop sampling program following state statute
-  Collect water samples
-  Test every tap used for consumption once every five years
-  Remediate as required
-  Communicate lead results and any remediation actions taken




Refer to Model Plan for details

There is no safe level of lead. If a tap tests at these levels:




5 ppb or higher

-  Do not use for cooking or drinking
-  Remove tap from service until problem addressed
-  Retest to verify remediation actions reduced the lead below 5 ppb

Between 2 ppb and 5 ppb

-  Water may continue to be used as options are considered
-  Consider measures including but not limited to regularly cleaning aerators, developing a flushing program, or using water filters
-  Retest to verify remediation actions reduced the lead below 5 ppb

Non-detect or less than 2 ppb

-  Non-detect means lead was not present
-  Normal tap use
-  Retest in 5 years

In all cases: Communication about test results and remediation actions to the school board, community, and MDH should be ongoing following the Model Plan.

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