



September 21, 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Re: Testing of Drinking Water in Schools

The Langley School District is responsible for testing drinking water in its district facilities, in particular, for the presence of lead. The District is compliant in its testing requirements and approved response plan with all governing bodies including Fraser Health and the Ministry of Education. Under the testing plan, districts are required to test one-third of the schools considered at-risk (built pre-1990) every year.

In year five of testing, the District has completed testing for the latest group of sites including Aldergrove Secondary, Brookwood Secondary, DW Poppy Secondary, Langley Secondary, Peter Ewart Middle, HD Stafford Middle, Belmont Elementary, Parkside Centennial Elementary, Simonds Elementary/U-Connect, and James Anderson (SD35 IT Department).

Water samples were taken from sinks at each site. Results were found to be within acceptable limits except for two sinks, one located in an art room at Langley Secondary and the other in a woodshop at DW Poppy Secondary. As per the District's response plan, these sinks remain in place but have signage installed clearly outlining the station is to be used for 'handwashing only.'

It is important to note, all water fountains in classrooms have been removed across the District and each school has a lead filtered water bottle filling station. For more information and a list of water testing results, please visit the District website page [here](#).

If you have any concerns or questions, please email feedback@sd35.bc.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gord Stewart".

Gord Stewart
Superintendent of Schools