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## SAFETY ALERT

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Lead in Drinking Water Program Update No. 2

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This is a follow up to <u>Safety Alert No. 16-01, Lead in Drinking Water Program Update</u> which provided background information related to the Los Angeles Unified School District's efforts to evaluate lead levels in the drinking water at schools. Providing a safe environment for students and staff is LAUSD's highest priority. The District has conducted extensive testing and remediation work on our drinking water sources over the last ten years. These efforts have nearly eliminated the need to conduct daily flushing of drinking water fixtures at our schools.

### **Exempting Schools from Daily Flushing**

Schools where all drinking water sources have been tested and are below the action level of 15 parts per billion without flushing are eligible for exemption from the daily flushing requirement. Only those schools that have been notified in writing by the Office of Environmental Health & Safety (OEHS) may cease daily flushing. A current list of schools that have been exempted from the flushing requirement is available at <a href="https://achieve.lausd.net/Page/3956">https://achieve.lausd.net/Page/3956</a>.

#### **Drinking Water Test Results**

School staff, parents, guardians and the public may view the most recent test results for lead in drinking water sources at schools at the Principal's Corner. The following instructions are provided for your convenience.

- 1. Click onto the link below to search and select the school of interest. http://www.laschools.org/new-site/my-school/principal-search
- 2. The following search tool will appear.

# Facilities Information About a School Your school search will yield the following: • M&O Service Calls, School Year Built, School Complex Manager, School Location Code Enter school name, school code or cost center. Search

3. Enter the name of the school in the search field and click Search. In the search results select the best match.

DISTRIBUTION: All Schools and Offices

- 4. Once on the school page, go to the left side of the page under Resources.
- 5. Under Resources, click on Drinking Water Quality Data



6. The following page will display the locations of which drinking water outlets were tested and the results.

#### Definitions:

"Active" in the Current Status column refers to a drinking water source (such as a drinking Fountain, faucets for food preparation and health or nurse's offices, glass fillers, and bottle filling stations) that are in use.

"Shutoff" in the Current Status column refers to a drinking water source that has been turned off.

For 30 years, the Los Angeles Unified School District has implemented more stringent practices than any known national or state regulation to address lead in drinking water on school campuses. The District has consulted with the U.S. Environmental Protective Agency (EPA), the California Water Resources Board Division of Drinking Water and the Los Angeles County Public Health Department, to ensure our drinking water practices protect the health of students and staff.

Please share this information with your staff, parents and guardians. For more information on the Lead in Drinking Water Program, please contact OEHS at (213) 241-3199 or visit <a href="http://achieve.lausd.net/Page/3450">http://achieve.lausd.net/Page/3450</a>.