



January 16, 2026

Dear KIPP North Philadelphia Academy Community,

As a part of KIPP Philadelphia Public Schools effort to provide students and staff with safe and accessible drinking water, water outlets at 2539 North 16th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19132 were tested for lead on Tuesday, January 13, 2026. A trained technician collected samples from 6 water outlets, and the samples were sent to an accredited Pennsylvania laboratory for analysis. All the collected water samples were below the city of Philadelphia's standard for action for lead in water (10 parts per billion) and Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) current action level for lead in public drinking water (0.015 per liter (mg/L) or 15 parts per billion (ppb). If the concentration of lead is ever above the action level, the drinking water outlet will immediately be shut off, and an action plan will be developed that will be communicated with you.

If you are concerned about your child's possible lead exposure risks, the Philadelphia Department of Public Health (PDPH) recommends contacting your pediatrician or neighborhood Health Center for testing. Additionally, PDPH's lead hotline can address any health-related questions you may have or help you in deciding whether to have your child tested; for questions or more information, please call (215) 685-2788. For additional information about lead and children you can visit [www.cdc.gov/lead](http://www.cdc.gov/lead).

The drinking water at KIPP North Philadelphia Academy will be tested every five years with the results posted on our website. If you wish to review the results from your school and for more information, see the table below.

Sincerely,

Patrice Green  
Managing Director of Regional Operations

Sample Date	Floor	Outlet Type	Outlet Description	Lead Result (ppb)	PQL
1/13/2026	4 <sup>th</sup>	HS	Drinking fountain outside science classroom	<RL	Not detected
1/13/2026	3 <sup>rd</sup>	HS	Drinking fountain outside of room 311	<RL	Not detected
1/13/2026	3 <sup>rd</sup>	HS	Drinking fountain outside of room 304	<RL	Not detected
1/13/2026	2 <sup>nd</sup>	HS	Drinking fountain outside of room 204	<RL	Not detected
1/13/2026	2 <sup>nd</sup>	HS	Drinking fountain outside of room 211	<RL	Not detected
1/13/2026	1 <sup>st</sup>	HS	Drinking fountain outside of room 111	<RL	Not detected

**Notes:**

AA = Above Action limit of 10 ppb BA = Below Action limit of 10 ppb MDL = Method Detection Limit PQL = Practical Quantitation Limit J = Result estimated below the PQL  
< = not detected above PQL ppb = parts per billion

**Outlet Types:**

WF=Water Fountain/Bubbler  
HS=Hydration Station/Bottle Filling Station  
FT=Faucet/Tap