

October 31, 2017

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Under Public Act 99—922, all public schools are required to complete testing of water faucets and water fountains in elementary school buildings that house students, pre-kindergarten through fifth grade. As part of the new law, Panhandle Community Unit School District #2 must notify parents that this testing has been completed and notify parents of any faucets or fountains that score above five parts per billion (ppb) threshold which is required by the State of Illinois. The national standard is not to exceed 15 ppb. Should any fountain or faucet score above the five ppb, the School District is required to notify parents of its plans to address the issue.

Panhandle CUSD #2 completed testing of all required locations on October 17, 2017. All water fountains and classroom sink faucets were below the threshold at FGS and RGS. Farmersville Grade School has one (1) location that exceeds the five ppb threshold (5.11). Immediate plans are underway to fix the affected fixture with a filtration attachment. When the faucet update has been completed, the location will be retested to ensure the water quality is at or below the required threshold.

If you have any questions about the testing process or replacement of identified equipment, please contact the Panhandle Unit Office at (217)-229-4215. You may also access information from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency website at [www.epa.gov](http://www.epa.gov) about the hazards of lead of drinking water.

Sincerely,

Aaron Hopper  
Superintendent of Schools