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Superintendent of Schools

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

Elizabeth Public Schools recognizes the important role of providing safe and secure schools and works diligently to provide all students the safest and most comfortable learning environment possible. Our district proactively contracted PARS Environmental, an environmental engineering consultant, this past summer to test the quality of the district's water sources at all schools and determine if there was any presence of lead.

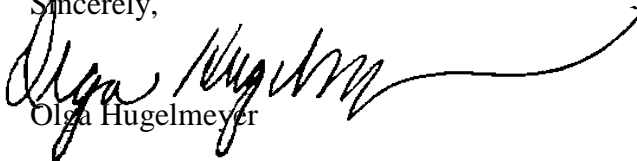
Based on the test results, filters were replaced or installed as necessary to ensure the long-term sustainability of providing safe drinking water at all of our schools. The district is currently retesting the remediated water sources to confirm that all water points meet environmental guidelines.

At Juan Pablo Duarte – José Julián Martí School No. 28, one water fountain was in need of remediation. A report of the district's water testing results will be posted on the Elizabeth Public Schools website following the retesting process and compilation of data.

Elizabeth Public Schools will continue to be vigilant and proactive in its approach to maintaining a safe and secure learning environment to better allow students to focus on achieving at high levels.

Thank you for your continued support of the Elizabeth Public Schools.

Sincerely,



Olga Hugelmeyer

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