

Facts about Lead Testing in SCS Schools

When did testing happen?

- All SCS-managed schools were tested during the recent fall break, October 14-18.
- Approximately 3,500 total samples were taken, including faucets, drinking fountains, and ice machines.

How often does the District conduct lead testing?

- SCS last tested schools in 2017, when it was not a State requirement. We conducted the tests proactively at that time. Based on results, we took the same corrective action plan that will occur with the currently impacted schools.
- Going forward, based on the new State requirement, SCS will test every two years.

What are the results?

- As of today, approximately 3,500 results have been returned, with 60 samples testing above the EPA threshold.
- The overwhelming majority of our schools showed minimal to no traces of lead in any fountains or water sources.
- Of the initial test results from 165 locations, 35 SCS schools (see below) had results that
 were approximately 1% above the EPA threshold in one or more specific water sources. All
 water sources in these schools are not impacted.

What is the source of the lead?

 While the source of all current samples are still being verified, results of the testing in 2017 revealed that the source of lead was due to the fountain unit/equipment and not pipes within the school.

What is our corrective action plan?

- All impacted sources have been shut off and immediately removed from use, and they do
 not have any effect on any other fountains or water sources in the building.
- The SCS Risk Management team will access each water source to determine whether further corrective action will be taken, and the team will oversee the retesting of each water source within 90 days of these corrective actions.
- Additionally, all affected drinking water sources will remain out of use until subsequent retesting confirms they meets the State standards.



What's the impact?

 While these individual fountains are being taken out of service, all other active water sources in these schools are still available and safe for use.

How did the District communicate the testing and results?

- Principals were notified in LeaderBoard about the process prior to the testing on October 11.
- Once the first round of results were returned on October 31, in compliance with State law, SCS notified the State Health Department, TDOC, TDOE, local health department and Shelby County Schools Board of Education.
- The State provides a five-day window to notify families once final results are received.
 Within the approved timeframe, and while awaiting the remaining results, SCS notified families at schools involved in the first wave of results on November 6.

Will SCS students at impacted schools be tested for lead?

- On November 8, the Shelby County Health Department (SCHD) announced that they will be partnering with the District to provide free lead testing for all students at the schools that had positive results.
- Testing is available during normal health department hours at all of their local clinics.
- No appointment or proof of health insurance is required, but a parent or legal guardian must accompany the child.
- For more information about lead and lead screening and testing, please visit the health department website -- www.shelbytnhealth.com -- or call 901-222-9000.
- SCHD is considering the option to test SCS staff at impacted schools at no cost. The District will share an update as we learn more.

School Name	Device Type
B T Washington High School	Cooler
Berclair Elementary	Cooler
Central High School	Kitchen Sink
Charjean Elementary	Kitchen Sink
Chickasaw Middle School	Bubbler
Double Tree Elementary	Bubbler
Double Tree Elementary	Cooler



Douglass (Pre-K)	Kitchen Sink
Douglass Elementary/Middle	Pot Filler
Douglass Elementary/Middle	Kitchen Sink
Egypt Elementary	Pot Filler
Gardenview Elementary	Bubbler
Havenview Middle	Kitchen Sink
Idlewild Elementary	Kitchen Sink
Idlewild Elementary	Cooler
Idlewild Elementary	Cooler
Keystone Elementary	Pot Filler
Kingsbury Elementary	Bubbler
Kingsbury Vocational	Kitchen Sink
Kingsbury Vocational	Cooler
Raleigh Egypt High	Bubbler
Ridgeway Middle	Ice Machine
Sheffield High	Bubbler
South Park Elementary	Cooler
Treadwell Middle	Bubbler
Westside Elementary	Pot Filler
Whitehaven Elementary STEM School	Bubbler
Whitehaven Elementary STEM School	Bubbler
Whitehaven High	Cooler
Wooddale High	Bubbler
Airways Achievement Academy	Kitchen Sink
Airways Achievement Academy	Bubbler
Airways Achievement Academy	Bubbler
Brownsville Elementary	Bubbler



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East High School	Kitchen Sink
East High School	Kitchen Sink
Ida B Wells Academy	Bubbler
Ida B Wells Academy	Bubbler
Jackson Elementary	Cooler
Jackson Elementary	Cooler
Jackson Elementary	Bubbler
Jackson Elementary	Bubbler
Macon-Hall Elementary	Cooler
SCS Prep School - Northeast (Macon)	Bubbler
SCS Prep School - Northeast (Macon)	Bubbler
SCS Prep School - Northwest (Pyramid)	Kitchen Sink
Sherwood Middle	Cooler
Southwind High	Kitchen Sink
Trezevant Career and Technical	
Trezevant High	Bubbler
Trezevant High	Bubbler
Trezevant High	Bubbler