



STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

A Memo from the New Jersey Department of Education

Date: June 22, 2022

To: Local Educational Agency Leads, Administrators for Approved Private Schools for Students with Disabilities, State-Funded Early Childhood Centers

Route To: Business Administrators, Certified Educational Facilities Managers

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Deadlines: Testing of Lead in School Drinking Water: June 30, 2022
Submission of Statement of Assurance to the NJDOE: June 30, 2022
Submission of Reimbursement Application to NJDOE: August 31, 2022

2021-2022 Testing for Lead in School Drinking Water

This notice is to provide a reminder that all public school districts, charter schools, renaissance schools, jointure commissions, educational services commissions, approved private schools for students with disabilities and state-funded early childcare facilities are required to test for lead in school drinking water during the 2021-2022 school year and a submit a Statement of Assurance (SOA) to the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) no later than June 30, 2022. **Testing during the 2021-2022 school year must be completed regardless of any prior testing.**

Refer to the [March 2, 2022 NJDOE Broadcast](#) and the NJDOE's [Testing for Lead in School Drinking Water webpage](#) for more detailed instructions. **Please note that a webpage address that provides direct access to the water testing results is required as part of the SOA submission.** Links to the entity's homepage, which require further navigation to the webpage on which the water testing results are accessed, is not acceptable. The submitted links will be tested by the NJDOE for compliance.

Technical questions regarding lead sampling and testing requirements should be emailed to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) at watersupply@dep.nj.gov. Questions regarding NJDOE Testing for Lead in School Drinking Water rules, submissions and reimbursement should be directed to leadtesting@doe.nj.gov.

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