## FORESTVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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## Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

It is a priority of every school district to maintain a safe and healthy learning environment for its students, and clean water is no exception. In 1986, Congress banned the use of lead solder containing greater than 0.2% lead and restricted the lead content of faucets, pipes, and other plumbing materials. Lead is unusual among drinking water contaminants in that it seldom occurs naturally in water supplies like groundwater, rivers, and lakes. New laws that went into effect in 2014 reduced the amount of lead that plumbing fixtures can contain from 8% to 1%. Brass faucets, fittings and valves – including those advertised as "lead free" – may still be a contributing factor to lead levels in drinking water.

Forestville Central School District is in compliance with New York State Public Health Laws requiring all schools and Boards of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) to test potable water outlets for lead contamination, to remediate contamination where found, and to notify parents of children and the public of test results. Levels of lead at any water outlet above 15 parts per billion (ppb) require corrective action.

As detailed in Section 1.2 (Executive Summary) of the accompanying report, based upon the sampling and analysis performed, 2 sources of potable water in the Elementary School have been identified as having lead concentrations in water above the NYS Action Level of 15 parts per billion. To comply with NYS regulations, Response actions as identified in this report by the District are required.

A copy of our water testing results is available at any of the Forestville Central School District building's main offices, which are open Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm. Results are also posted at www.forestville.com on the District website.

For more information about water quality and sampling for lead contact the Chautauqua County Department of Health and Human Services at 753-4000.

Sincerely, James Knoop Director of facilities Forestville Central School District