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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are writing to inform you that Granite Valley Prep has recently completed testing for lead in our drinking water. This is part of an ongoing effort related to New Hampshire state law RSA 485:17-a, which requires schools and child care facilities to test for lead in drinking water and to take action when lead is found at levels of 5 parts per billion (ppb) or above.

Lead is a toxic heavy metal that has a range of adverse health effects if inhaled or swallowed. Lead rarely occurs naturally in New Hampshire's drinking water sources (groundwater or surface water) and typically enters drinking water due to the wearing away of piping, faucets, fixtures, and other plumbing materials.

Because lead is tasteless, odorless, and colorless in drinking water, testing is the only way to learn whether lead is present. It is essential to sample each faucet or water fountain used for drinking or food preparation, as test results can vary between locations.

During recent testing, we collected samples from nine drinking water outlets (e.g., drinking fountains, classroom faucets, kitchen sinks), with five outlets testing at or above 5 ppb, the level where action must be taken.

We have temporarily removed access to these outlets while the fixtures are being replaced. The following table lists all the tested outlets, their locations, sample results, and our planned remediation.

Outlet Number	Location	Sample Result (ppb)	Planned Remediation
1	1 <sup>st</sup> floor fountain	Not detected	None, less than 5ppb
2	1 <sup>st</sup> floor left restroom sink 1	3.98	None, less than 5ppb
3	1 <sup>st</sup> floor left restroom sink 2	3.89	None, less than 5ppb
4	1 <sup>st</sup> floor right restroom sink	6.53	Posted "Do Not Drink" Fixture replacement planned
8	3 <sup>rd</sup> floor room 302 restroom	19.7	Posted "Do Not Drink" Fixture replacement planned
9	3 <sup>rd</sup> floor room 304 restroom	21.6	Posted "Do Not Drink" Fixture replacement planned
10	3 <sup>rd</sup> floor kitchenette sink	35.3	Posted "Do Not Drink" Fixture replacement planned
11	Basement restroom sink	1.75	None, less than 5ppb
12	Basement industrial sink	13.3	Posted "Do Not Drink" Fixture replacement planned

All sample results and additional resources from the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) can be viewed at <a href="mailto:getheleadoutnh.org">getheleadoutnh.org</a>.

Sincerely,

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