

## COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BUREAU OF SAFE DRINKING WATER

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

## PERFLUOROOCTANE SULFONATE (pfos) / PERFLUOROOCTANOIC ACID (pFOA) MAXIMUM CONTAMINANT LEVEL (mcl) EXCEEDANCE

Este informe contiene información importante acerca de su agua potable. Haga que alguien lo traduzca para usted, o hable con alguien que lo entienda.

PWISD=1090988 CBSD Central Bucks East HS Has Levels of PFOA RAA
Above Drinking Water Standards
Our water system recently violated a drinking water standard. Although this incident was not an emergency, as our customers you have a right to know what happened and what we did to correct this situation.
We routinely monitor for drinking water contaminants. Testing results we received on 3/31/2025 show that our system exceeds the standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), for PFOA PerFluorOctanonic Acid. The standard for PFOS is 18 parts per trillion (18 ng/L) and for PFOA is 14 parts per trillion (14 ng/L). PFOA was found at a level of 15.77 ppt. as a rolling average in your drinking water.
What should I do?
You do not need to use an alternative (e.g., bottled) water supply. However, if you have specific health concerns consult your doctor.
What does this mean?
This is not an immediate risk. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. However, exposure to PFOS and PFOA over the MCL may result in adverse health effects. Drinking water containing <u>PFOA</u> in excess of the MCL of <u>14</u> may cause adverse health effects, including <u>decrease immune and developmental effects.</u>
What are PFOS and PFOA?
PFOS and PFOA are chemicals that are part of a larger group referred to as perfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). These are human-made chemicals and do not occur naturally in the environment. They have been used to make items that are resistant to water, grease, or stains such as cookware, carpets, and packaging. They are also used in industria processes and in firefighting foams. Since these substances are resistant to heat, water, and oil they persist in the environment and in the human body. Due to the prevalence of PFAS in consumer products, it is likely that most people have been exposed to these substances through other sources besides drinking water.
What happened? What was done?
The District has been proactive on this issue since the first quarter results were issued back in 2024. CB Operations has installed single point filters on all consumable water at CB EAST HS. The water from the filters are non-detect and safe. The mcl exceedance is in the raw well water that is unfiltered at the entry point. We are currently monitoring the point of use filters and are in the planning stage of a new well and permanent filtration. The Q1 offical result was 15.8 which is above the 14. MCL. Dep uses a rolling average of 4 consecutive quarters so that is why this notification is generated at this time. The current RAA is 15.77 ppt.
We anticipate resolving the problem within <u>Dep's allowable PFAS time frame</u> (or the problem was resolved on <u>4-1-2024 as we have installed temporary filters.</u> ).
For more information, please call <u>Kevin Spencer</u> of <u>District Operations</u> at <u>267-893-4036</u> .

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes,

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schools, and businesses).	You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing
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