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**To:** SPENCER, KEVIN

**Subject:** Update on Well Water Testing at CB East



## Dear CB East Community,

We hope you are enjoying these last weeks of summer. Today, we held the first of three days of welcome back activities and professional development programming for teachers before we welcome all staff and students back next week. We are looking forward to a great school year.

Before our buildings are filled again, we wanted to provide another update on testing being conducted on the well that supplies water to CB East. You can read the last update on this situation from July 19 here.

Earlier this month, the district received the results of third-quarter testing conducted on the well water. The well water was also tested in February and April. Like these earlier results, the third-quarter results indicated that the level of PFOA, a chemical in the PFAS family, was slightly higher than the new limit for PFOA set by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) in January. The new limit is 14 parts per trillion; the well water tested at 14.24 parts per trillion.

Due to this most recent result, DEP requires that we notify the community by posting <u>this notice</u> in the school. We also wished to directly email the CB East community to continue our open communication about this matter.

We also wish to assure you that the water at East is safe to drink. Since March, after the district received the first-quarter results, all sources of drinkable water at the school have been outfitted with filters. Test results of the water from these internal sources after the filters were installed registered at non-detectable levels and well within the new limits set by DEP.

In a proactive step, our School Board has also approved the completion of a water supply well feasibility study for CB East and Holicong Middle School, which is also serviced by a well. An external firm will conduct the study, which will include an evaluation of water supply needs; an evaluation of well drilling requirements for a test well and the installation of a test well; and performance of a 72-hour aquifer test and PA New Source sampling. Following the completion of the testing, the firm will provide a proposal to evaluate water treatment design.

As always, the health and safety of our students, faculty and staff is our utmost priority. The district will continue to keep you updated as this process continues. Similar email updates were also sent to the four other schools that receive their water from wells (Holicong, Tohickon, Gayman, and Groveland).

We look forward to an exciting and successful start to the school year.

Sincerely,

Dr. Steven Yanni Superintendent

Kevin Spencer Director of Operations

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