

Water Testing

The Oran R-III School District is committed to the safety and well-being of our students and team members. In alignment with that commitment and in compliance with the new Missouri state law, "[Get the Lead Out of School Drinking Water Act](#)," in May 2023, we had a professional environmental consulting firm initiate and complete testing of our water. Specifically, each possible drinking and food preparation source in our schools and buildings was sampled and tested to determine if the lead concentration in the water was above the required action level of five parts per billion (5 ppb), which is equal to 5 micrograms per liter. The 5 ppb level required by the state is below the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) recommended action level of 15 ppb.

While the law specifies that all preschool through 12th grade schools that receive state funding have until August 1, 2024, to complete testing at all drinking water outlets and food preparation outlets, we acted promptly, in accordance with our commitment to protecting our community, and tested each outlet to ensure we could immediately initiate remedial measures as needed.

Please know the safety and health of our students and staff is our highest priority, and we will work diligently to rectify every source that is out of compliance. In the meantime, all students and staff will continue to have access to a variety of water outlets, that have met compliance, throughout the school.

If you have questions regarding the health of your child or for additional information regarding lead testing, please contact your primary healthcare provider.