

Bellingham Public Schools Action Plan : Lead in Drinking Water

School Information

School Name: Bellingham High School

School District: Bellingham Public Schools

County: Whatcom County

Sampling and Testing Information

School Name	Sampling Date	Date Test Results Received	Sampling and Testing Provider
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Testing Requirements

[RCW 28A.210.410](#) and [RCW 43.70.830](#) require all drinking water outlets in public schools built, or with all plumbing replaced, before 2016 be tested for lead at least once between July 1, 2014, and June 30, 2026. Retesting shall occur at least once every five years thereafter. Drinking water sampling and testing must be done in partnership with DOH or contracted through a [lead certified lab](#).

This action plan has been created in compliance with the requirements in the above RCWs. To provide input on the action plan, please contact Bellingham Public Schools Health Services at SPSHealth@bellingshamschools.org or call 360-676-6455.

Action Plan

Mitigation Measures

Mitigation measures are immediate (temporary or permanent) actions, such as shutting off an outlet or marking as “hand wash only,” to stop access to drinking water with elevated lead concentrations. Outlets with lead concentrations exceeding 15 ppb must be shut off immediately upon receiving test results in accordance with the [technical guidance](#).

Bellingham Public Schools tested 42 outlets and has identified 2 drinking water outlets with elevated lead levels requiring mitigation.

Mitigation measures have been implemented as follows:

	Sample Collection Date	Sample ID	Location	Fixture Information	Lead Test Result (ppb)	Mitigation Measure (Indicate temporary or permanent)	Date Implemented
1)	6/1/2023	375178	Floor 1 Kitchen	H faucet Pot filler for boiling	6	Clearing only sign temporary permanent	6/30/2023
2)	6/1/2023	375182	Floor 2, room 208	A faucet B30	10	Handwashing only sign temporary permanent	6/30/2023

