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Dear Milford Public Schools Families and Staff:

You may be aware of conversations taking place about lead and copper testing in drinking water across the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Recently, the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) released a Request for Interest (RFI) soliciting interest by public schools and public early education in childcare facilities in receiving technical assistance and sample analysis services for lead and copper in drinking water.


After careful review of the RFI with both the Milford Board of Health and the Milford Water Company, including the overall scope of work and proposed sample analysis start date in the fall of 2016, we determined that a more timely approach would be to use our local resources and begin conducting samples prior to the opening of school in August. This approach leverages our community resources and expertise in a way that advances the timeline offered by the state, allowing for more immediate resolution of any identified issues. As such, we will begin water sampling analysis in June.

Further, and in the interest of seizing an educational opportunity, the Milford Board of Health and the Milford Water Company have agreed to engage the Milford High School science department and students in this real life science laboratory work. This presents as a wonderful real-life application of the sciences and directly benefits the community.

Please be assured that the Milford Public Schools are working in partnership with the Milford Board of Health and the Milford Water Company to ensure that our water continues to be safe for consumption.

Should you have any questions, please contact Board of Health Agent, Paul Mazzuchelli, or Milford Water Company Manager, David Condrey, at 508-473-5110 or [dcondrey@milfordwater.com](mailto:dcondrey@milfordwater.com)

Very truly yours,

  
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