



Warren Township Schools

Shining Brighter Every Day

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Dear Parents, Guardians and Staff:

Last month, the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) enacted regulations requiring all school districts in the state to conduct testing of water used for drinking and cooking within the next year. Last week, members of our leadership team met with their counterparts in all of the Watchung Hills districts to discuss a consistent approach with an eye towards sharing services where practical.

Warren Township Schools has a history of taking proactive steps to ensure the safety and security of its students. Although it was not required, we previously conducted testing in 2011 and found all water sources tested to be well below the limits set by government agencies. Similarly, our plan for this round of testing will go well beyond the minimum expectations set forth by the NJDOE so that we can reassure our families that their children are safe when drinking water in our schools.

We are now in the process of finalizing our water sampling plan and timeline with potential vendors. The results of the testing will be published to the district website immediately upon receipt and, while we do not have any reason to anticipate any problems with the quality of our water, we will communicate about and remediate any issues that the testing may reveal.

Enjoy the remaining weeks of summer. I look forward to welcoming our staff and students back to the district in September.

Sincerely,

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