December 9, 2016

Dear Staff:

As you may be aware, in September, Gov. Andrew Cuomo signed a new law that requires public schools in New York to test all water outlets currently or potentially used for drinking or cooking purposes for lead levels.

This letter is to inform you about the results of our water testing at the CALC Building and Pole Barn located on the F. Donald Myers Education Center campus, the Horse Care program located on Scout Road and the Gick Road Conference Center.

A total of 24 samples were collected on October 8, 2016 from these three locations and were analyzed at Pace Analytical Laboratory, which is certified by the New York State Department of Health. WSWHE BOCES received the results on December 9, 2016.

Of the 24 water outlets tested, no drinking fountains tested above the New York State Department of Health Action Level for schools. One exterior hose bib at the CALC building tested above 15 parts per billion. It was immediately taken off line and will be fully remediated.

With these latest results, the initial stage of testing is now complete for all of our facilities. We are in the process of developing a full remediation plan. Following remediation of all outlets, WSWHE BOCES will perform follow-up testing on all the outlets tested above the Action Level. Re-testing will begin shortly.

We take these findings very seriously and will keep you informed as we move through this process. If you have any questions or concerns about these test results, please contact me at (518) 746-3310.

Sincerely,

James P. Dexter
District Superintendent of Schools