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The school district recently retained Hygieneering, Inc. to conduct potable water quality sampling at Peotone Elementary, Peotone Intermediate, Peotone Jr. High, and the Connor Shaw Center. The purpose of the study was to conduct sampling for lead to comply with Illinois law 225 ILCS 320/35.5.

The law requires that buildings that service Pre-school through fifth grade be tested in buildings that were built prior to 2000. Though not required to test at Peotone Jr. High, we felt that based on the age of the building it was prudent to collect water samples from that building as well.

We have received the testing results and all building water fountains and kitchen sinks tested better than EPA guidelines for lead in drinking water. Though the Kindergarten and first grade classroom sinks are not used for drinking purposes, those faucets were tested and they too tested better than EPA guidelines.

Along with this notification, Hygieneering will submit the results of this sampling to the Illinois Department of Public Health.

Sincerely, Steve Stein