## Cairo-Durham Central School District

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Dear Cairo-Durham Families,

As noted in a letter that was sent home on October 14, recent water testing at Cairo-Durham Elementary School revealed six locations (of 69 samples taken) with evidence of lead levels above the New York State Department of Health standard of 15 parts per billion (ppb). Although most of the locations with elevated lead levels were not typically used for water consumption or food preparation, all were immediately shut off and taken out of service as a short-term safety measure.

We are pleased to notify you that after remediation, all water locations at CDE tested below the state threshold for lead and are safe for drinking. Each of the six locations identified at CDE received a new faucet and was re-tested in early November. The report received on November 28 indicated that all six areas showed lead levels of less than 1 ppb, well below the NYSDOH standard.

To view the complete lab reports, as well as all communications regarding water testing in our district, please visit www.cairodurham.org and click the "Water Testing" link in the menu on the left side of the page.

For the continued health and safety of our students and staff, all water outlets in each school building will be tested again for lead within the next five years. The District will keep you informed about future water testing and results, in accordance with the new state requirements.

Sincerely,

Anthony J. Taibi

Superintendent of Schools