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EXECUTIVE TEAM

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Dear Lansing School District Family:

Mark Coscarella
Deputy Superintendent

The safety of our students, staff and families is a top priority in the Lansing School District.

Teresa Szymanski
Chief of Operations

The water crisis in Flint continues to make headlines throughout the nation. People are even thinking about the quality of the water our own children drink here in Lansing.

Mara Lud
*Executive Director for
Student Learning*

I want to share some good news with you.

Delsa Chapman
*Director of High Schools
and Magnet Programs*

In an effort to be proactive, the Lansing School District recently completed an extensive water quality testing effort for lead throughout more than 30 buildings. The results from the nearly 300 water tests show that Lansing school buildings are "lead safe" and there is no harm or danger of lead contamination to students that drink water in any Lansing schools.

Ben Botwinski
*Executive Director for
School Improvement*

Working in cooperation with the Lansing Board of Water and Light and the City of Lansing, an independent environmental company tested water inside Lansing school buildings and results of each test were reviewed within 24 hours so any actionable issues could be quickly addressed.

Eldon McGraw
Information Manager

Even though we knew that the water coming from the city lines was lead-free, I was still concerned that because of the advanced age of many of our school buildings, we might have a lead issue somewhere inside our schools. We did need to take some minor actions, thankfully only in a few very limited locations (change a faucet, remove an old drinking fountain) but children were never in danger and the actionable items were not critical.

The bottom-line: the water quality in Lansing schools is good and "lead safe" for our children. There is no expense too great to make sure of that.

Thank you for your support of our district. If you'd like more information, feel free to go online to the LansingSchools.net website and use *Let's Talk* for any feedback.

Sincerely,

Yvonne Caamal Canul
Superintendent

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