Lead Remediation Plan November, 2025

North Lakes Academy is committed to providing employees and students a safe working and learning environment. NLA has developed this Lead-in-Water Management Plan to reduce the potential for exposure to lead in drinking water and to comply with Minnesota Statute 121A.335, the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH), and the Minnesota Department of Education (MDE). This plan will also endeavor to comply with the recommendations of the Minnesota Department of Health's "Reducing Lead in Drinking Water: A Technical Guidance for Minnesota's School and Child Care Facilities" recommendations and be inclusive of the United States Environmental Protection Agency's "Ensuring Drinking Water Quality in Schools During and After Extended Closures" fact sheet and the United States Environmental Protection Agency's "3Ts Toolkit for Reducing Lead in Drinking Water in Schools and Child Care Facilities" manual.

Minnesota Statute 121A.335 requires public school buildings serving pre-kindergarten through grade 12 to test for lead in potable water sources (water for consumption) every 5 years. NLA tests all of its buildings every five years. Testing results for the 2024-2025 school year can be found here. We will test again during the 2029-2030 school year.

If a test reveals the presence of lead at or above five parts per billion, remediation efforts will be made. Depending upon the exact fixture location and type, remediation efforts could involve removing the fixture from service, adding signage indicating the fixture is not to be used for drinking water, removing the existing fixture and replacing it with a filtered fixture, etc.

Anyone interested in discussing the district Lead-in-Drinking Water program or test results, please contact the Facilities Coordinator, Todd Nesvold, at 651-982-2773 or tnesvold@northlakesacademy.org.