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MEDIA ADVISORY

Proactive Testing Identifies Contaminated Lead Fixture at Addams Elementary

This year, the District has been working proactively with the City of Fresno to implement new state law, Assembly Bill 746. The law requires lead testing on ALL of our school campuses. As part of that effort, five separate water fixtures were recently tested at Addams Elementary School. The City of Fresno notified Fresno Unified yesterday, that one of the five areas tested, a single drinking fountain, came back with a positive result. The District immediately shut down the single fountain and is working to replace the isolated water fountain. As part of the District’s proactive maintenance plan, old plumbing fixtures are routinely replaced reducing infrastructure that might contain lead. So far this summer, nearly 30 school sites have been tested for lead and this is the first positive report. Of note, the City’s water supply has always met state and federal water quality standards.

Parents and the public can contact the County of Fresno Health Department at 559-600-3590 for information and resources should you think you or your child might have been exposed.

Fresno Unified will continue to collaborate with the City of Fresno, County Health Department and our healthcare partners to ensure the remainder of our school sites are tested and immediately mitigated if necessary.

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