



July 24, 2023

Dear Copper Hill School Parents, Faculty, Staff and Community Members;

The Flemington-Raritan Regional School District is committed to protecting students, teachers and staff health. To protect our community and comply with the Department of Education's regulations, our District must share a drinking water notice with the Copper Hill School community.

At this time, there is no emergency nor are there any concerns related to the drinking water supply at Copper Hill School. If there was an emergency, the District would have been notified within 24 hours. If a situation was to arise where water is not safe to drink, our District would be notified within 24 hours.

However, the District is required to report that an assessment of the facility and distribution system was not conducted in a timeframe that adheres to government regulations. Three testing samples were collected in July of 2022, last year. The presence of coliforms was confirmed in the samples. Coliforms are bacteria that are naturally present in the environment. They are used as an indicator that other waterborne pathogens may be present in the drinking water distribution system. However, the District did not conduct the next level of testing within a 30-day window. This violation in the testing timeline is being reported to the public and is being addressed. The notice can be read in full, [here](#).

The District completed a detailed assessment on July 3, 2023. We have begun to correct sanitary defects by contracting with a new vendor to inspect and test the school's fire suppression system. This company will test the backflow preventor, make repairs as needed and will advise on the inspection requirements for the fire suppression tank. The school will address any noted deficiencies.

Copper Hill School community members need not take any action; however, if you have specific health concerns, please consult your healthcare provider. General information is available from the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791. For more information, contact District Facilities Manager Ryan Mooney at (908) 284-7593 or at ryan.mooney@frsd.us or the Business Administrator, Mrs. Tanya Dawson, at (908) 284-7570 or at tanya.dawson@frsd.us.

Sincerely,

Dr. Kari McGann
Superintendent