

Maple Hill School

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POLICY NAME	Drinking Water Policy
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Preamble:

The Provincial Health Officer via the Ministry of Education has requested that all school districts in the Province of BC monitor the metal levels (particularly lead) in drinkable water sources within the school by regular testing. Of particular concern are the buildings constructed prior to 1990 because of the potentially high risk for elevated lead levels. Elevated levels of lead in the drinking water can cause neuro-developmental deficits.

Policy

Maple Hill School will test the drinking water at our facility at least once every three years.

MHS has developed an effective strategy to deal with this issue, providing safe bottled water for the use of students, staff and visitors in a central and accessible location to ensure that the risks to students are eliminated. Students and staff are encouraged to drink water only from these sources.

MHS is committed to the health and safety of its students and staff.

Credits:

Abbotsford School District
Canadian Public Health Association
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
Delta School District