

## LEAD IN DRINKING WATER TESTING PLAN

OAR 581-022-223(5)(d) states that the Healthy and Safe Schools Plan must include a plan to test for and reduce exposure to lead in water used for drinking or food preparation. If the district does conduct lead testing of drinking water, an Oregon Health Authority accredited lab must be used for all testing. Central Linn's plan to test is as follows:

- Identify sources of lead: Schools should test all taps used for drinking or food
  preparation in the building to identify any lead problems. Follow the Environmental
  Protection Agency's 3 T's Revised Technical Guidance to ensure that samples for
  lead are collected properly and from the right places. Use an OHA-accredited
  drinking water laboratory to analyze samples for lead.
- Stop access: Prevent access to water taps that have more than 20 parts per billion (ppb) of lead. This should include shutting off taps, covering water fountains, and providing bottled water to students and staff members.
- 3. Communicate: Make results from tests for lead in water available to students, families, and the community as quickly as possible.
- 4. Mitigate and correct: Replace the sources of lead in building plumbing. Again, EPA 3T's Guidance should be followed. The EPA's 3Ts technical guidance is available here: <a href="https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2015-09/documents/toolkit\_leadschools\_guide\_3ts\_leadschools.pdf">https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2015-09/documents/toolkit\_leadschools\_guide\_3ts\_leadschools.pdf</a>
- 5. Test again every 5 years.