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As stated in Minnesota Statute 121A.335 subd. 5 (a), a school district or charter school must send parents an annual notice [regarding testing for lead in school drinking water] that includes the district's or charter school's annual testing and remediation plan, information about how to find test results, and a description of remediation efforts on the district website. The district or charter school must update the lead testing and remediation information on its website at least annually.

Yinghua most recently completed water testing for lead in August 2023 by Twin City Water Clinic, and the results of the first round of testing can be viewed on the [Water Testing for Lead 2023 Results document](#) (link opens in a new tab). All but one of Yinghua's 76 tested sinks and drinking fountains were below the EPA's threshold of 15 parts per billion.

As part of the remediation, the sink that tested above the 15 ppb threshold had all of the water lines under it replaced and it was retested later in August 2023. The retest results can be viewed on the [Water Testing for Lead 2023 Retest Results document](#) (link opens in a new tab). After the water lines were replaced, instant and flush tests were done on the sink and drinking fountain. While the instant test of the sink was still above the 15 ppb threshold, Yinghua's remediation plan in consultation with Twin City Water Clinic, is to flush the water line attached to that sink daily before use as the flush test showed lead was below 2 ppb. As an alternative option, staff and students could use the drinking fountain nearby outside of the room to fill water bottles.

Yinghua will be further looking into the cause of the above threshold results for the instant test, and looking to make replacements for all water sources that tested above 2 ppb.

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