



lead, it is important to incorporate lead hazard reduction options and communicate at all levels of lead in order to raise awareness and reduce exposure.

Table 3: Recommended Lead Hazard Reduction Options

Lead Level At The Tap	Lead Hazard Reduction Options
<p>< 2 ppb or Non-Detected</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lead was not detected. Tap may be used as normal; • Record result and test again in 5 years; and • Make all test results and lead education materials accessible to the community, such as on a website, or annual report, and available upon request.
<p>2 ppb to 20 ppb*</p> 	<p>The tap may be used for cooking and drinking water while steps are taken to reduce overall exposure. A higher number of taps with elevated results increases the urgency to implement hazard reduction.</p> <p>Options include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retest the sample tap and attempt to more accurately determine the source of the lead; consider monitoring tap more frequently until the source of lead is found and removed; • Consider the feasibility of flushing or other steps to minimize lead exposure, including limiting softened water supplies to hot water taps only, taking into account other actions that the school may already have in place; • Make all test results and lead education materials accessible to the community, such as on a website, or annual report, and available upon request.
<p>> 20 ppb*</p>	<p>Action should be taken to reduce exposure. The specific action(s) taken will be dependent on individual school conditions.</p> <p>Options include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remove tap from service until problem is demonstrably corrected by replacement, a flushing program, filtration, or treatment; • Do <i>not</i> use tap for cooking or drinking water; • Retest the tap and attempt to determine the source of the lead; If the tap is not replaced, consider monitoring tap more frequently, such as annually, until the source of lead is found and removed; • Implement a flushing protocol or other lead hazard reduction option; sampling should be use to evaluate effectiveness; • Make all test results and lead education materials accessible to the community, such as on a website, or annual report, and available upon request; and • Provide targeted communication and education to individuals, parents, and staff members that routinely use that tap.

* established by EPA 3Ts guidance; if EPA amends, Table 3 will be adjusted to be consistent with new value