



OKLAHOMA DRINKING WATER

LEAD TESTING

IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS & CHILD CARE FACILITIES

LWSC PROGRAM REPORT AS OF 12/31/2025

DEQ's Lead Testing in Schools and Child Care Facilities Drinking Water (LWSC) Program is a voluntary program aimed at reducing lead exposure from drinking water within schools and childcare facilities in Oklahoma. This report is updated quarterly with new program totals.



288 Total
Participants



96 Public
Schools



192 Daycares/
Head Starts

Participant Summary

(by number of facilities)

Program Completed: **123**

Remediation Phase: **112**

Applications Approved: **53**



Where Do We Test?

DEQ will partner with any public school and public or private childcare facility throughout the state that requests free lead testing assistance.

Program Goals 2026

- Continue outreach efforts to enroll new facilities
 - Particularly focused on elementary school and daycare facilities
- Partner and collaborate with public water systems
- Change program action level from 15ppb to 10ppb
- Provide free filters or pitchers to facilities with low lead detections

Here's to the new year!



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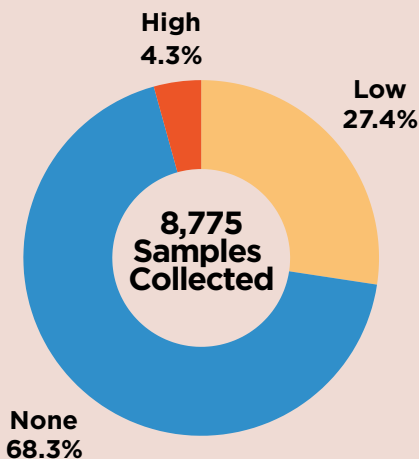
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DEQ Web

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Results to Date



Results are organized into three categories:

- **None <1 ppb** = no significant lead level found, no recommended action.
- **Low 1-9.9 ppb** = Lead was detected, recommend remediation and/or removal.
- **High <10 ppb** = high levels of lead, immediate actions taken, followed by remediation and/or removal.

Facility Remediation Efforts



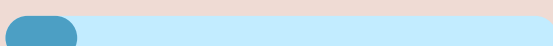
148 **Faucets/Fixtures Replaced**



112 **Outlets Included in Flushing Protocols**



45 **Outlets Removed from service/Restricted Access**



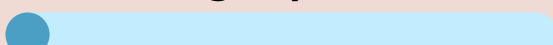
26 **Water Coolers Replaced**



8 **Filters Installed at Faucets**



4 **Location Conducted Plumbing Repairs**



Funding Assistance

11 Schools have requested and received remediation funding to address lead detections.



\$61,694

Has been awarded to schools for the purpose of reducing lead exposure



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