

## Kingdom East School District

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Dear Burke Town School Community,

Our water system recently violated a drinking water requirement. Although this is not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we are doing to correct this situation.

Our Water System is required to continuously operate an orthophosphate corrosion control treatment system and maintain a 1.5 mg/L orthophosphate residual. This treatment helps prevent lead and copper within the pipes and plumbing fixtures from dissolving into drinking water. Our Water System is also required to test for orthophosphate as the water leaves the treatment plant to ensure the treatment is working correctly. Results from samples collected in March, April, and May 2025 showed that the orthophosphate levels were significantly below the minimum allowable value of 1.5 mg/L leaving the treatment plant for more than nine days. The low orthophosphate results indicate that the orthophosphate treatment system was not being operated correctly at the time of sample collection.

We are currently working with the water system operator and the state to address the situation. The latest readings show the orthophosphate levels are beginning to rise. You may read the attached notice for further information.

Please reach out with any questions or further discussion if you would like, and thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Sophie Branson Gill (Principal, BTS)

Daniel Pickering (Director of Facilities)

Dylan Handy (Facilities Coordinator, BTS)