

Yellowknife Education District No. 1 Commission scolaire publique n°1 de Yellowknife

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Dear Range Lake North Staff and Families,

I am pleased to inform you that the Public Health Order regarding water consumption at Range Lake North has now been revoked. Over the summer, the Yellowknife Education District No. 1 staff have been working closely with ECE, and regularly consulting with the Office of the Chief Public Health Officer to address the concerns over lead levels in the water. The specific measures taken to bring the drinking water to safe levels include:

- Replacement of all sink faucets with lead-free fixtures
- Each new faucet also has an under-sink filter that is rated to remove lead
- All water fountains were updated with a similar filter system

The most recent water tests were conducted on September 9th, and have been reviewed by the OCPHO resulting in the cancellation of the public health order. I would like to express my appreciation to ECE and the OCPHO for their work on this, and also to the YK1 maintenance department staff who did the work of installing necessary upgrades. I would also like to thank the staff of Range Lake North for their professionalism as we worked to put these measures in place.

Thank you for your patience as we worked to put these measures in place. We will continue to work with ECE as they develop a Territories-wide protocol to ensure the safety of water in all schools.

Sincerely,

Shirley Zouboules

Superintendent/CEO, YK1

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