

Filter First Update

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Background

First-of-its-kind legislation specifically designed to protect children from exposure to lead in drinking water in schools and child care centers.




Signed into law October 2023

part of the state's efforts to protect its residents from lead exposure in the wake of the water crisis in Flint

Requires schools and child care centers to develop a drinking water management plan, install lead-reducing filters on at least one drinking water station per every 100 school occupants, and test filtered water regularly, every year for schools and every two years for child care centers.

Must comply by October 2025 for child care centers and June 2026 for schools

To Dos and Timelines

Item	In Process	Complete	Notes
Drinking Water Management Plan	Summer 2025		
Filter Selection	Fall 2025 (Install)		
Tap Signage			
Filter Replacement Plan			
Sampling Plan			ERG Partnership

Filter First Grant (Funding)

	Needed	Price Per	Total Price	Grant Funding	Left Over
Bottle Filling Stations	23	\$1,400.00	\$32,200.00	\$33,750.00	\$1,550.00
Faucet Filters	57	\$40.00	\$2,280.00	\$3,760.00	\$1,480.00
Filtered Pitchers	13	\$35.00	\$455.00	\$455.00	\$0.00
Labor (Hours)	150	\$30.00	\$4,500.00	\$11,550.00	\$7,050.00
Plumbing Supplies			\$13,750.00	\$13,750.00	\$0.00
Contracted Plumber			\$5,850.00	\$5,850.00	\$0.00
Replacement Cartridges			\$21,531.00	\$21,531.00	\$0.00
			\$80,566.00	\$90,646.00	\$10,080.00

Testing, Transparency

Annual required testing to be approx. \$10,000 per year.

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Environmental Testing Okemos Public Schools

At Okemos Public Schools, ensuring the safety of our district's students, staff, and environment is paramount. We are taking proactive measures to guarantee transparency and accountability through this website, sharing environmental testing results, including past tests and additional resources. These tests involve a rigorous examination of the health of our buildings.

As we continue district wide testing in 2024, we will share the testing plan, results, and lab reports for each school.

Please note, for security purposes, maps of schools **will not** be included on the website. If you have further questions please contact the [Operations Department](#).

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Questions?