



## ATHOL-ROYALSTON REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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*The Athol-Royalston Regional School District is committed to providing challenging educational experiences that inspire students to acquire the knowledge and skills to become responsible citizens in the global community.*

**Darcy Fernandes**  
Superintendent of Schools

February 1, 2018

**Julie Marynok**  
Administrative Assistant

To Parents and Staff of the Royalston Community School

**Kathryn Clark**  
Director of Pupil Services

The water system at the Royalston Community School is tested monthly by the Housatonic Basin Sampling and Testing Co. to ensure safe, clean drinking water for the students and staff.

**Mary Jane Rickson**  
6-12 Curriculum Director

Because of a recent water test, we are required by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection Agency to notify staff and parents of elevated test results.

**Molly Superchi**  
Elementary Curriculum Director

The water test results from November of 2017 showed an elevated copper level in the buildings water test, which is above the Mass. DEP/DWP action levels requiring steps to reduce that level back to normal.

**Mitchel Aho**  
Principal  
Athol High School

The quarterly test for lead/copper is being conducted this week and the results will be posted after review by the DEP. Daily flushing of the system has alleviated the issue in the past, and if the copper levels continue to be above the action level of the DEP/DWP, other corrective measures will come into play to alleviate any issues in the future.

**Thomas Telicki**  
Principal  
Athol-Royalston  
Middle School

**Michael Leander**  
Principal  
Athol Community  
Elementary School

Engineers are working with the district on methods of treating the water, along with daily flushing of the system. These steps, according to the Department of Environmental Protection and the Housatonic Basin Testing, will alleviate any future copper level issues.

**Janeth Williams**  
Principal  
Royalston Community School  
Title I Director


**Robert Rouleau**  
Facilities and Transportation

If you have any questions concerning these tests, feel free to contact Bob Rouleau, Director of Facilities at 978-249-2403, or Tom Lussier, Certified Water Operator for the Royalston Community School at 413-248-4622.

**Lynn Bassett**  
Business Manager

**Edward Skutnik**  
Director of Technology

Sincerely,

  
Darcy Fernandes  
Superintendent of Schools

**Carolyn Brown**  
Food Service Director

Robert Rouleau  
Director of Facilities  
