

Dear FM Team,

Did you know Facilities Management employs seven Certified Water Operators (CWOs)? Here's a brief summary of what this team, with the help of others, has been doing for the past few weeks to monitor the safety and quality of the University's drinking water:

- Creation of a Drinking Water Management Plan during the COVID-19 Pandemic
- As buildings become unoccupied and sparsely occupied, the team is responsible for and focused on providing "high quality drinking water"
- The team, with assistance from Housing and Dining Services and Environmental Health Services, tested Chlorine levels in nearly 100 buildings on March 27; a significant and critical effort!
- Regular chlorine testing is occurring daily, along with monitoring hourly water usage data to look for trends
- A majority of the buildings are in good shape; however, a few large buildings have been posted with signs that state, "The Drinking Water in this Building is Temporarily Out of Service"
- As of April 1, the CWOs are working with FM Custodial and Plumbing staff to "flush" drinking water fixtures on a regular basis

Please join us in thanking our co-workers for this important work which is necessary to support the University's mission!

Best,

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