

BOIL WATER ORDER
Potter Valley School District Water System

February 9, 2026

**FAILURE TO FOLLOW THIS ADVISORY
COULD RESULT IN STOMACH OR INTESTINAL ILLNESS**

Due to recent water testing, the State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water in conjunction with the Mendocino County Health Department, and the Potter Valley School District, are advising students and faculty/water users to use boiled tap water or bottled water for drinking and cooking purposes as safety precaution.

All tap water used for drinking or cooking should be boiled rapidly for at least 1 minute. This is the preferred method to assure that the water is safe to drink.

An alternative method of purification for students and faculty/water users who do not have gas or electricity available is to use fresh liquid household bleach (Clorox, Purex, etc.). To do so, add 8 drops (or ¼ teaspoon) of bleach per gallon of clear water or 16 drops (or ½ teaspoon) per gallon of cloudy water, mix thoroughly, and allow to stand for 30 minutes before using.

A Chlorine-like taste and odor will result from this purification procedure and is an indication that adequate disinfection has taken place.

Water purification tablets may also be used by following the manufacturers' instructions.

Potable water is available at the following locations: Cafeteria, District Office, Elementary Office, Jr/Sr. High School Office

Please bring clean water containers (5 gallons maximum capacity).

Emergency water treatment and quality testing are being conducted by Potter Valley School District to resolve this water quality emergency problem. The Potter Valley School District will notify students and faculty/water users as soon as the water is safe to drink.

For more information call:
Potter Valley District Office
(707) 743-2101

Mendocino County Department of Public
Health; Division of Environmental Health
(707) 462-4038

State Water Resources Control Board
Division of Drinking Water
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