



WARREN TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

This letter is intended to serve as an update to the ongoing dialogue between home and school concerning the “H1N1” flu (also known as the “swine” flu).

Attached is a brochure from the federal government (CDC) with some very useful guidance and information concerning H1N1. Please take the time to read it and share its message with your child as you feel is appropriate. Also, on the reverse side of this letter are some reminders as to (a) where you can go to get more information (or questions answered) and (b) what we can all do to help minimize the spread of H1N1.

Our local approach to H1N1 here in the Warren schools has not changed since my last communication to you on this subject (on 9/2/09). We are still awaiting word as to the availability of vaccine for H1N1—once the vaccine is ready, arrangements for its distribution will be handled through local and county health offices (but I have offered the communication channels in place at our schools as a way to get the word out to the homes of Warren school children, and our schools may be used as vaccination sites as well). Of course, we will forward along more information on vaccines as soon as we get it.

Schools opened last week with a flurry of activity, and I am happy to report that teaching and learning is already in high gear. It is our intent to keep things like that all year long, while keeping an ever vigilant eye on the safety and comfort of our staff and students.

Sincerely,

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Superintendent

enclosure (CDC brochure—“Seasonal and Novel H1N1 Flu: A Guide for Parents”)

H1N1 REMINDERS

SOURCES OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING H1N1

- Federal Govt. Centers for Disease Control—CDC (www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu)
- NJ Department of Health (www.state.nj.us/education/schools/security/h1n1)
- Warren Township Health Officer (Mr. Kevin Sumner)
 - (908) 753-8000 (x237 or x239), or
 - (732) 356-8090, or
 - www.middlebrookhealth.org
- Warren Township Board of Education Eblasts and website (www.warrentboe.org)
- Individual family physicians or healthcare providers

*** WAYS TO HELP COMBAT THE SPREAD OF H1N1 ***

- **Cover coughs.**
- **Wash hands often.**
- **Stay home when sick.**
- **Talk to your healthcare provider about vaccines.**