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Re: Health Alert

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Today we received notification that one of our students may have tested positive for the H1N1 virus but at this point is expected to be symptom free. Although this notification is coming from a private physician and not through the State Department of Health, we wanted to take this opportunity to remind you of steps that you can take to help prevent spreading the virus: frequent hand washing, the use of hand sanitizer, covering coughs and sneezes, try to avoid touching their hands, nose or mouth, avoid close contact with those who are sick, and staying home if ill. You are also reminded that Perfect Attendance incentives are suspended until further notice.

We will not be able to disclose the specific school to you in order to protect the privacy of the student. Unless we get information which suggests that there is a pattern or cluster of cases, no further action or notification will be taken by the district.

Our school district will handle students who report flu symptoms in the following manner: Students who exhibit fever, cough, sore throat, body aches, headache, fatigue, chills, diarrhea and vomiting will be sent home as a precaution and to minimize potential exposure.

The district is working closely with the appropriate officials to take whatever steps may be required to ensure the health of the community. Thank you for doing your part to help keep our students healthy.

Yours for the sake of all Children,

Dr. Kenneth R. Hamilton
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