

April 30, 2009

Dear Parents of Students in the Logan City School District,

I want to inform you of what the Logan City School District is doing to be proactive in regards to the current H1N1 virus situation. We have been working closely with the Bear River Health Department to provide the safest environment for your children as we can. On the other side of this note, there are some encouraged practices that can provide your child and your family with some safety in regards to being exposed to this virus. Please do all you can to follow the recommendations as they will help to keep the entire community safe from outbreaks. Here are some of the things that your school will be doing to help control the possible spread of the virus:

- Encouraging students to wash their hands frequently during the day. Washing their hands before they leave the restrooms is critical for all students to do. For elementary students, this should happen before they go to lunch, go out to recess, or make transitions to their specialty classes. Secondary students should be washing hands as many times as possible during the day, especially since they make so many transitions to classes throughout the day.
- We will have supplies of hand sanitizer available for students to use during the day as well. We will also make sure that commonly used areas, such as computer labs, libraries, etc., are cleaned with disinfectant multiple times during the day so that students are protected from possible contamination.
- If a child is not feeling well at school, the parent(s) will be notified to come and attend to them. We will work with each family to ensure their child is treated well during this process. Not all illness will be the flu, but we need to take precautions to ensure all students are protected.
- If a child has experienced symptoms, there will need to be a doctor's note stating that all is fine with the child to return to school.

We would ask you as parents to:

- Keep ill children home until they are better.
- Encourage your children to wash their hands often during the day and to use hand sanitizer whenever possible.

We are sending this information out to you not to panic anyone, but to make sure that everyone has up-to-date information so that we can keep our community protected. As we receive more information from health agencies, we will get them out to you as soon as we can. If you have any questions, you may contact our school nurse, Kelly Hansen, at 755-2300 (W), 881-1785 (c), or kelly.hansen@loganschools.org. You can also get information from Bear River Health Department at www.brhd.org.

Sincerely,

Marshal R. Garrett
Superintendent