



WINSLOW TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

The State of New Jersey is preparing for a possible outbreak of the H1N1 (commonly known as the Swine flu). According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) anyone can get the flu and serious problems from the flu can occur at any age. However, children under the age of five years, pregnant women, people of any age with chronic medical conditions (such as pulmonary disease, including asthma, diabetes, neuromuscular disorders or heart disease), and people sixty-five years and older are more likely to get complications from the flu.

In an effort to keep from spreading the flu, the CDC recommends that sick children stay at home for at least 24 hours after they no longer have a fever or signs of fever, without using fever reducing medication. Keeping children with a fever at home will reduce the number of people who may get infected. Children who come to school with a fever, or develop a fever during the school day, will be sent home.

Our principals and nurses have received training on preparing for the H1N1 flu and they have reviewed the recommendations from the CDC with our teachers and staff. The district is in constant communication with health officials and we will keep you updated with new information as it becomes available.

Please help us to maintain a healthy learning environment for our staff and students by working together as we prepare for the flu season.

Sincerely,

H. Major Poteat, Ed.D.
Superintendent

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