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Dear Parents and Guardians,

As stated in my previous letter, District 158's goal is to continue to keep you informed of the current situation regarding influenza. As a district we are following the guidelines distributed by the Illinois State Board of Education and the Illinois Department of Public Health for keeping our school environments healthy. As parents call the schools to report an absence we are asking follow-up questions about why the student is out of school. The health staff at each school are logging the number of students seen each day and the reason for the visit. We have been monitoring our daily attendance patterns at all schools and there are no significant changes when compared to the same time last year.

It is important that we keep our parents informed based on factual information. We recognize that medical care facilities are prescribing treatment for all influenzas as a precaution while waiting for screening results which identifies the specific type. Without those results, however it cannot be said that a child has H1N1 influenza. The district health staff is following up with medical care providers to determine the diagnosis whenever possible. At this time we have no medically confirmed cases of this particular influenza.

The schools' first lines of defense with this illness are parents. It is vitally important that children who are ill remain home until they are fever free for a full 24 hours. In the case of flu symptoms, seven days at home are recommended, longer if the child still has fever. Good health habits, such as frequent hand washing, are a parent's best defense against the germs responsible for influenza. As always, any specific medical concerns you have should be addressed with your child's physician.

Please realize that this illness can be contracted in any public place; restaurants, grocery stores, malls, public transportation and theaters to name just a few. As more information regarding the H1N1 influenza becomes available, District 158 will keep you informed. If you have specific concerns you wish to discuss, please contact me at (708) 474-6700.

Respectfully,

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Superintendent of Schools

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