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Dear Parent/Guardian:

Over recent weeks and similar to neighboring school districts we have seen an increase in the number of students absent from school, as well as sent home early from school due to illness. We have taken action to ensure that we are maintaining a safe and healthy environment. Steps have included our staff reviewing with our students how to maintain proper hygiene, increased disinfection of our classrooms and offices, and ensuring we have an adequate supply of soap and cleaning materials in classrooms, offices and bathrooms.

Also, the Center for Disease Control (CDC) suggests that we ensure that everyone takes the following preventative actions:

- **Stay home when you are sick.** When necessary if your children are sick, please keep them home from school. This will help prevent others from catching an illness and allow for the recovery of the sick child. You should always avoid close contact with those who are sick.
- **Cover your nose and mouth** with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue away after use and wash your hands. If a tissue is not available, cover your mouth and nose with your sleeve, not your hand.
- **Wash your hands often with soap and water**, especially after you cough or sneeze. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand rub (gel).
- **Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth.** Germs spread this way.
- **Clean and disinfect surfaces or objects.** Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces at home, especially when someone is ill.

Furthermore, it is our policy that if your child is sent home because he or she has a fever or has vomited the child should **NOT** return to school until he or she is fever free or stopped vomiting for at least 24 hours.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Dr. Thomas Tramaglini
Superintendent of Schools