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## H1N1 Flu Information

Dear Parents,

As you are aware, flu season is upon us and is inevitable that we will be subjected to the typical seasonal flu and the H1N1 flu viruses in the coming months. The entire country is dealing with this issue and realistically, every state, county and school system will, and does, have cases of both types of flu. There are some precautions that you can take to avoid the flu and some actions that you can take to reduce the effects of the flu:

1. Make sure you and your children wash your hands frequently, especially before eating.
2. Try to avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth.
3. Don't drink out of the same cup or share forks or spoons with other people.
4. Sneeze or cough into a tissue and then throw the tissue away. Wash your hands. We are also teaching students to cough into their elbows as opposed to coughing into their hands.
5. Do your best to avoid people who are sick.
6. Keep your child home from school if he/she has the flu symptoms.
7. Keep your child home at least 24 hours after the fever breaks.
8. Check with your Doctor as you feel necessary if you or your child has a fever, sore throat and body aches.

The Center for Disease Control and the Fairfield County Health Department are not recommending we close school due to outbreaks of flu. We will monitor the absence of both the students and staff on a daily basis and if we feel the schools cannot continue to stay open, we will notify you as quickly as possible. The notice to close school, if necessary, will be made in the exact same manner as if we are closing due to snow or ice utilizing the TV and radio stations as soon as the decision is made.

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