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Dear Parent or Guardian:

As you may know, flu can be easily spread from person to person. Therefore, we are taking steps to reduce the spread of flu in District 201. We want to keep our schools open to students and functioning in a normal manner during this flu season. Working together we can make the best of this situation.

We are working closely with the Regional Office of Education and the St. Clair County Health Department to monitor flu conditions and make decisions about the best steps to take concerning schools. We will keep you updated with new information as it becomes available.

We are doing everything we can to keep our school functioning as usual. Here are a few suggestions you can do to help.

- **Remind your children of the importance of washing their hands** often with soap and water or an alcohol-based hand rub. We are installing germicide dispensers in our classrooms and cafeterias to assist in this effort.
- **Remind your children not to share personal items** like drinks, food or unwashed utensils, and to cover their coughs and sneezes with tissues. Covering up their coughs or sneezes using the elbow, arm or sleeve instead of the hand when a tissue is unavailable.
- **Remember the signs and symptoms of the flu.** Symptoms of the flu include fever (100 degrees Fahrenheit, 37.8 degrees Celsius or greater), cough, sore throat, a runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headache, and feeling very tired. Some people may also vomit or have diarrhea.
- **Please keep sick children at home** for at least 24 hours *after* they no longer have fever or do not have signs of fever, without using fever-reducing drugs. Keeping children with a fever at home will reduce the number of people who may get infected.
- **Please do not send children to school if they are sick.** Any children who are determined to be sick while at school *will be sent home*.

For more information, see the link on District 201 Preparedness and visit www.flu.gov, or call 1-800-CDC-INFO for the most current information about the flu. We will notify you of any additional changes to our school's strategy to prevent the spread of flu.

Sincerely,

Greg A. Moats, Ed. D.
Superintendent of Schools