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Dear Parents:

The purpose of this letter is to provide basic information about the swine flu outbreak in some parts of Texas. Irion Co. ISD has no confirmed cases of swine flu at this time.

Our maintenance and custodial personnel are taking extra precautions to disinfect various areas of the school. Sanitizing soaps and hand gels are available in our restroom facilities. Teachers are also receiving information about preventive measures to take and are being asked to watch for students showing signs and symptoms of the illness.

Please help us by asking your children to take extra precautions such as not eating or drinking after anyone else and washing their hands often. If your child shows symptoms of any type of influenza, we encourage you to: (1) have them tested at their physician's office or a clinic and (2) keep them at home until they are symptom free. For their own safety and the safety of others, students should not return to school until they have been fever and symptom free for 24 hours without medication.

Many school fieldtrips and other activities are being postponed or cancelled as a precautionary measure. Your campus principal will keep you informed about these events. We encourage you to limit your own travel, especially to areas with known cases, as much as possible.

Swine flu is a person to person transmission that is treatable with Tamiflu and similar drugs. For more details, please consult the Center for Disease Control link at www.cdc.gov/swineflu where there are postings in English and Spanish.

We will continue to monitor the situation closely. We appreciate your help in taking preventive measures at this time.

Sincerely,

Brenda Mendiola

