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Dear Parents,

As you are aware, the school district, our parents and the County Health Department are working to prepare for the anticipated return of H1N1. Keeping the children healthy throughout the school year is a priority. With this focus come inquiries about the use of alcohol based hand sanitizers in school. First and foremost, please be assured the district will continue its work on good hand washing habits as the most effective way to prevent the spread of germs. In addition, if you would like your child to have access to a personal hand sanitizer in school, please send one in with your child's name clearly marked on the sanitizer and ask your child to give it to their teacher.

Teachers will provide the necessary access to your child's sanitizer. The hand sanitizers must be turned into teachers, as regulations require school use be under adult supervision. In addition, this will prevent the sharing of hand sanitizers as not all parents want their children to use them.

Finally, if you do not wish your child to use a hand sanitizer under any circumstances, please send in a note which will be kept on file in the nurse's office.

If you have questions on this topic or any other related health issues, please feel free to contact your school nurse.

Sincerely,

Laurence T. Spring
Superintendent of Schools