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To: Parents and Guardians of Mascoutah Students

From: Sam H. McGowen, Superintendent 

Re: Confirmed Case of H1N1 Flu Virus

Date: September 24, 2004

The School District has received a report that one student who attends Scott Elementary School has a possible confirmed case of the H1N1 (Swine Flu Virus). Said student is receiving appropriate medical attention and the family is taking steps to help protect members of their family and others. The County Health Department is verifying this case with the medical provider and will be working with the district regarding this matter.

We wanted to let you know as soon as possible in order to avert rumors. I call your attention to the materials sent out earlier regarding passive measures you can take to help us guard against the spread of flu. Each parent or guardian may wish to check with your child care provider regarding the shots for both the regular flu and the new H1N1 shot or nasal spray that is soon to be released. You may wish to assure that your children receive these inoculations.

You are reminded that information regarding the inoculations may be obtained from the following web sites:

www.idph.state.il.us

cdcinfo@cdc.gov

We are also attaching Information received from the above agencies for your convenience.

Hopefully the questions and answers outlined in these documents will provide needed information to protect your family and thus help us quell the spread of the virus. We have worked through flu viruses before and will get through this flu season also. I thank those who are helping us train your child on proper hygiene and courtesies extended to protect everyone from the spread of disease. Feel free to call the County Health Department or the school nurses with any questions that are not answered in the attachments. Thank you for assisting in curbing the spread of the flu. Hopefully, this will be a rather short flu season.

2 attachments.