



Mukwonago Area School District

Building Better Schools Together

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Dear Families,

We are beginning to see multiple cases of influenza (flu), and other student illnesses in our school district. We have put measures in place to prevent the spread of these illnesses, and appreciate it very much when you communicate with us when your child is absent. It is recommended that everyone 6 months of age and older get a seasonal flu vaccine each year, it's not too late to still get one. Thank you in advance for helping keep this school year as healthy as possible.

Here is the [CDC Flu Guide](#) for you to help determine which your child has.

We want to clarify some information regarding the flu:

- If your child is running a fever and has other symptoms of the flu, we do encourage you to keep your child home for. Children may demonstrate flu-like symptoms, and have respiratory symptoms, and may not have a fever.
- Please call the school to let us know if your child will be absent because of illness. It is especially helpful for us to know if your child has been diagnosed with the flu.
- If one of your family members is diagnosed with the flu, you may send other siblings to school as long as they are not demonstrating symptoms of the flu or running a fever. Continue to watch for any symptoms of the flu or any fever before keeping them home from school.

At school, we are encouraging the use of good hygiene practices to help students stay healthy:

- When you cough or sneeze, cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or with your upper sleeve if no tissue is available. Do not use your hands to cover your mouth or nose when you cough or sneeze.
- Put any used tissue in a wastebasket and clean your hands as soon as possible after coughing, sneezing, or blowing your nose.
- Use soap and water and wash your hands for 15 - 20 seconds. Use alcohol-based hand wipes or alcohol-based (60-95% alcohol) gel hand sanitizers if hand washing is not available.
- Clean your hands often when you or others are sick, especially if you touch your mouth, nose, and eyes.
- Always clean your hands before eating.

Thank you for staying in contact and staying healthy! Sincerely, Noel Menghe RN, BSN District Nurse
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If you have any questions, please contact your doctor or the Waukesha County Public Health Division, Nurse Call Center at 262-896-8430.

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