

# Argenta-Oreana School District No. 1

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

This letter is to inform you that a case of the H1N1 influenza virus has been reported in Argenta-Oreana CUSD #1. We are working with local and state health officials to monitor the situation, and at this time, schools will remain open and operating normally.

The best way to reduce the spread of H1N1 or any other virus is to practice good hygiene, and we encourage you to teach your children to wash their hands often, keep their hands away from their eyes, nose and mouth, and cover coughs and sneezes with their sleeve or a tissue. Please refer to the "Flu Letter from Mr. Jones" link on our district website, [www.argenta-oreana.org](http://www.argenta-oreana.org), for more information on ways to prevent the spread of viruses. For even more prevention tips, visit the Illinois Department of Public Health online at [http://www.idph.state.il.us/h1n1\\_flu/index.htm](http://www.idph.state.il.us/h1n1_flu/index.htm).

We ask that you **please** keep your child home from school if he or she shows any flu symptoms, including fever, cough, sore throat, body aches, headaches, chills and fatigue.

Students who come to school with flu symptoms will be evaluated by our district nurse and sent to a room separate from others (and if possible, given a surgical mask to wear) until he or she can be sent home.

Students with the flu should stay home until at least 24 hours after they no longer have a fever or signs of a fever, without the use of fever-reducing medicines.

For more about H1N1 and seasonal flu viruses, visit <http://www.isbe.net/htmls/H1N1.htm>, [www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu](http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu) or [www.flu.gov](http://www.flu.gov).

Please be assured that the well being of our students is our top priority, and we are doing everything possible to address the situation. Please feel free to contact any administrative offices if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,  
Argenta-Oreana CUSD #1 Administrative Team

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