

September 15, 2009

Dear Members of the Litchfield Community

As we prepare to address the anticipated re-emergence of the H1N1 virus during this school year, I have requested that our school nurses and school medical advisor share related information.

You can find a letter from the principals, nurses and Dr. McKay posted on the district website. This letter offers suggestions to assist parents and guardians as they make decisions related to their child's health and when to keep them home from school.

In addition, a letter from the school nurses and Dr. McKay to our staff members is posted on the website. This letter provides guidance to our staff as they make decisions related to the health of their students and themselves.

The Litchfield Public Schools will continue to keep parents, faculty and community members informed as we receive new information pertaining to the flu. For additional information, you may check the Federal Centers for Disease Control (www.cdc.gov), the Connecticut Department of Public Health (www.dph.ct.gov/ctfluwatch) and the Torrington Health District (www.tahd.org) websites for the most current information.

As always, you may contact the school nurse in your child's school with specific questions.

Sincerely,

Deborah S. Wheeler, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools