



SUDBURY CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

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To: All Sudbury Catholic Schools Staff, Students, Parent(s) and Trustees:

Re: The status of the swine flu as it relates to the City of Greater Sudbury and the schools/students and staff in the Sudbury Catholic District School Board

The Sudbury Catholic District School Board continues to maintain regular communication with the Sudbury District Health Unit. This allows the Board to respond in an appropriate manner where public health issues may impact our school community such as the swine flu.

The most recent public communication from the Sudbury District Health Unit reports the following as of April 28, 2009;

While there are no confirmed cases of human swine flu in the Sudbury and Manitoulin Districts, the Sudbury & District Health Unit has increased its surveillance efforts and is monitoring the situation closely.

The Health Unit reminds everyone of the importance of taking general precautions to prevent the spread of illness:

- . **Wash your hands thoroughly and often with hot water and liquid soap.**
- . **Use hand sanitizers if water and soap are not available.**
- . **Sneeze and cough into your sleeve.**
- . **Stay at home if you are sick and reduce contact with family members and the public.**

If you have been to Mexico within the last two weeks and are experiencing flu-like symptoms, call your health care provider or call Telehealth at 1-866-797-0000 or 1-866-797-0007 TTY. Make sure to mention your travel history to Mexico.

The Sudbury & District Health Unit is working closely with Ontario's Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care on this issue.

Visit www.sdhu.com and the Sudbury Catholic District School Board website for information updates as they become available.

Sincerely,

Catherine McCullough
Director of Education
and Secretary of the Board