



## Nelson County Public Schools

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**Roger D. Collins, Ed. D.**  
Division Superintendent

August 28, 2009

Dear Parent(s):

Thank you for supporting our school division staff during the beginning of the new school year. I am pleased to report that all schools are operating smoothly with teachers and students intently focused on learning.

I respectfully ask for your continued cooperation as we work together, proactively, to prepare for the unpredictable H1N1 virus, seasonal flu and other illnesses. In this regard, please find *updated* Nelson County Public School Division procedural guidelines below.

- \* All students and/or staff will be required to go home immediately if they have a fever equal to or greater than 100 degrees or have other flu-like symptoms.
- \* Students with flu-like symptoms (fever, cough, sore throat) will be isolated at school while waiting for a parent or significant other to arrive.
- \* No student with flu-like symptoms will be allowed to ride the school bus.
- \* Students will be required to remain at home until fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication (Tylenol, Ibuprofen, etc).
- \* It may be necessary for parents to have a plan in place to keep their child(ren) home for up to 7 days.
- \* Parents are expected to monitor their child(ren) each morning for flu-like symptoms (especially fever, cough, sore throat) and keep their child(ren) home if any of the symptoms are exhibited.
- \* Parents are strongly encouraged to have their child(ren) immunized as soon as a vaccine is available.

Our school nurse(s) would be more than happy to discuss these guidelines or any student health related matter should you desire clarification or need additional resource information.

Finally, it is critical that all schools have current parental contact information on file. This enables us to maintain accurate records and to communicate with you in a timely manner should it be necessary.

I look forward to another great school year and thanks in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Roger D. Collins".

Roger D. Collins, Ed. D.  
Division Superintendent