



Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District

*David Anthony, Ed.D.
Superintendent*

May 1, 2009

Dear Key Communicator:

This morning at 11:00 A.M. the Harris County Public Health and Environmental Services (HCPHES) informed the school district about a new Center of Disease Control (CDC) guidance released today regarding the length of time that a school is required to remain closed after a confirmed case of H1N1 virus (Swine Flu). The CDC recommendations state "If a school dismisses students or a childcare facility closes, schools and childcare facilities should dismiss students for a minimum of 14 days." Based on this information, the HCPHES has altered their initial recommendation and Yeager Elementary will be closed until Monday, May 18 pending no additional confirmed cases.

The reason for closing schools during the H1N1 flu season is to reduce the spread of the virus from child to child. It is important to note the CDC also recommends that parents and students avoid congregating outside of the school setting.

As a Key Communicator, I know you are concerned about the health of our community. The district will continue to keep you informed with the most current and updated information.

For more information about this new CDC guidance please consult the resources located at the following website http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/K12_dismissal.htm.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David Anthony".

David Anthony, Ed. D.
Superintendent of Schools