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Dear Parents, Students, Staff and Community Members,

This letter serves to inform all students, employees, parents/guardians, and community members that the Division is taking every step possible to be prepared for pandemic influenza. To date, all pertinent information about H1N1 has been sent to schools and offices for sharing with all students, parents/guardians, and employees. This flow of information continues.

In addition, Frontier School Division has a written and Board-approved Pandemic Response Plan (Version 1) that is available from the Resources section of the Division web-site. This plan was approved by the Board of Trustees at their meeting in September 2009. It will be reviewed monthly by the Board, with adjustments made and approved as required. Review and implementation of the Division's plan by all employees took place in the first week of school.

There are several themes that are reflected in the plan. Briefly, these themes are as follows.

- Prevention and Education

Personal hygiene, education about procedures, increased cleaning and sanitizing of facilities and equipment, and extra diligence by all staff members are clearly noted and reinforced in the Pandemic Response Plan.

- Communication

Everyone connected to the school and Division must get regular and frequent information. This information is intended to educate and protect people as well as outline response plans should the pandemic influenza impact us. Schools and the Division office web-site will be prime sources of information.

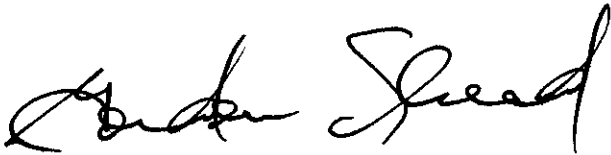
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- Cooperation with Community Plans

In the event of H1N1, local schools and the Division will work closely and respond quickly in connecting with and supporting community-wide plans that are in place. This approach is similar to the Division's response to local emergencies such as forest fires or floods.

Clearly, the Division is being proactive in addressing the major concern about H1N1 within the Division and the province. You are encouraged to access and read Frontier's Pandemic Response Plan. Once again, it is available on the web-site at www.frontiersd.mb.ca.

Yours truly,



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