

Swine Flu Parentlink Call—4 28 09

Greetings, parents of Charleston County School District. This is Elliot Smalley, Communications Director, calling to give you a brief update on the Swine Flu.

There are no confirmed cases in our district, and there is no reason for alarm, but we do want you to know that we are working with the CDC and the Department of Health and Environmental Control to ensure that we stay updated on the latest Swine Flu information, and take every precaution to prevent the spread of the flu in our schools.

The same kinds of basic prevention tips that apply to the flu--like washing your hands regularly and covering your mouth and nose when sneezing--apply here, and we are communicating this to our students and school staff.

Today and tomorrow, parent letters and fact sheets are being sent home with your child, and we have also posted Swine Flu information at www.ccsdschools.com.

The symptoms of swine flu in people are similar to the symptoms of regular human flu and include fever, cough, sore throat, and body aches. Please call your healthcare provider or contact your school nurse immediately if you suspect that your child may have a Swine Flu infection. For more information, call DHEC at (843) 953-0095; or contact our Office of Communications at 937-6303. Please stay tuned for more information, and thank you for working with us to promote the health and safety of your child.