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Dear Parent or Guardian of C-A Student:

Over the past two days we have observed an increase in student absenteeism as well as an increase in the number of students being sent home with illness. Some of those being sent home have exhibited symptoms of Influenza Like Illness (ILI). Our school nurses continue to report rates of illness to Greene County Public Health Nursing (GCPHN) each day, and we continue to count on the advice of GCPHN as it pertains to ILI.

The district features recent information about the H1N1 Influenza A virus under the News section of our web page at [www.coxsackie-athens.org](http://www.coxsackie-athens.org). Information there gives steps to take to prevent illness. It also gives steps to take if one contracts an Influenza Like Illness.

It seems possible that Influenza Like Illness may run its course for some time in the future. I would encourage parents or guardians with specific questions on this topic to contact Greene County Public Health Nursing.

Sincerely,

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Superintendent of Schools