



Cresset Christian Academy

A Ministry of Cresset Baptist Church

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Dear Academy Families,

I'm sure that you all have heard the news of our country's concern about the swine flu. We wanted to let you know that we have been working on precautions for your children. Wednesday at a faculty meeting, we outlined the measures that we are taking at this time. These include:

- Daily sanitizing of each classroom including doorknobs
- Hand sanitizers in each classroom
- Teacher instruction to students on proper procedures for hand sanitizing and covering of coughs and sneezes.

We have provided each teacher with sanitizing supplies and hand sanitizers as well as recommendations from the CDC. A copy of these instructions is attached. Frequent washing of hands with warm water and soap for 20 seconds is the most effective measure for preventing the spread of infectious diseases. Hand sanitizing with the gel for 10 seconds is also effective. Covering of coughs or sneezes is also very important.

The following are some things that we are asking our parents to do to help with the precautions that we are taking for the children:

- Talk to your children about the importance of proper hand washing and covering of sneezes and coughs
- Keep your children at home if they are sick
- Consider providing personal hand wipes and tissues for your children to have at their desks or in their backpacks.

Starting yesterday (Thursday), teachers were sanitizing their rooms each day. (Preschool classrooms have always been sanitized each day as part of the daily preschool operating procedures.) We will continue to keep up with this situation and any recommendations from agencies and physicians. We will let you know if any other precautions are needed.

As always, your input and help are greatly appreciated. One parent suggested that some parents may want to assist with helping to provide some of these costly items. Certainly providing Clorox wipes, sanitizing gel, or other assistance would be a blessing.

Please contact me with any other questions or concerns. It's a privilege to serve your family.

In Him,

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Head Administrator